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Subject: Objection to 'Stopping Up & Diversion of Highways' (Ref NATTRAN/SE/S247/3254)

Dear Sir/Madam,

please find my objection to the following 'Stopping Up & Diversion of Highways', reference NATTRAN/SE/S247/3254.

I oppose this change in road layout due to the following reasons:

- The current layout provides an unbroken area of tranquillity along the Scheduled Ancient Monument of the Royal Military Canal. Re-routing the road to run alongside the canal will destroy this current setting in terms of noise, setting and wildlife.
- The moving of this road is being requested as part of a planning permission application. However this development can still go ahead without making this unnecessary and destructive road change.
- The movement of the road will seriously effect the safety of the road. As the proposed layout will introduce a number of tight corners which will seriously reduce visibility for both drivers using the road and pedestrians crossing the road. This will be very dangerous compared to the existing straight road layout with its high visibility for all users.
- The current road is also separated by a wall that provides additional safety by separating the pedestrians from the road.
- The current layout provides a lot of beach side parking spaces, which would all be lost
- The road will cut directly through the centre of a current large area of green wildlife. Whereas it's current placement at the edge of the green space has no effect on the wildlife.
- The new proposed road change will have a significant harmful effect on the Scheduled Ancient Monument setting of the Royal Military Canal.
- The noise of the road traffic on the otherwise quiet space will increase dramatically from the constant speeding up and slowing down of traffic negotiating the proposed bends in the road.
- There is currently a much used and liked children's play area towards the East end of the proposed area, which currently connects uninterrupted on grass land to the canal, which in turn leads uninterrupted either across foot bridges, or around the end of the canal to lots of existing housing in and around Seabrook Road. The current uninterrupted pedestrian leisure access would be changed into requiring pedestrians to have to cross the proposed road location.
- This road will also add traffic fumes and noise right next to the children's playground, as it is next to one of the proposed bends in the road.

Regards, Michael Boston