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To the inspectors

I strongly object to the Aquind Interconnector project

As a local directly affected, I object for the following reasons:

- 1. French refused the project in 2021 and the refusal is still valid. If there is no landfall in France why would you give permission to build in UK?
- 2. There are sufficient interconnectors existing or planned. They add up to 19.5 GW when the government in their paper asked for 18 GW by 2030 3. Is the company capable or worthy to run a project like this?
- 4. The harm outweighs the benefits
- 5. Damage to our local environment
- 6. Traffic chaos, air pollution
- 7. There was a feasibility study by NGET in 2014 to find a connection point into the grid. This feasibility study has not been seen by anyone but Aquind. The Judge during the High Court Judicial Review and the Secretary of State had asked for access. This is an out- dated study now, 9 years later and why has nobody else had access to it? Should the minutes of any meeting between Aquind Ltd, NGET and any other party involved in this been made available? Indeed, should not this out-dated connection decision be revisited?
- 8 disturbance to contaminated land at a former dump, now a beautiful natural walk with lakes and nesting stands, teeming with wildlife

9 negative affect on an ongoing sea defences project

Please please consider this well with no political or outside influences

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