

A POEM TO HELP SAVE MINSTER MARSHES AND PEGWELL BAY NATIONAL NATURE RESERVE!
INSIGNIFICANT IMPACT NATIONAL GRID SAY!

I am speaking today for the wildlife that cannot have their say!
For the animals that will suffer who cannot fly away!
For the sacrifices National Grid says has to be,
to supply power for the likes of you and me!
This claim I must state is simply not true;
There are many other ways to see us all through!
A National Nature Reserve with protections galore!
Should not be at risk from National Grid's claw!
Farmland should be for farmers to grow our own crops!
Not for supplying Pylons that look like ROBOTS!!!
Marshland should be left to protect us from floods!
Not concreted over, but left for Nature, wildlife, and bugs!
An ugly 100ft building upon our Marshland!
Seen all around, it won't be grand!
A target to aim for, if trouble comes to our door,
One that can't be hidden in times of war!
Footpaths closed and no tourists to be seen,
Businesses shut, it will be obscene!
St Augustines pilgrims on the way to the Cross,
Routes diverted, old traditions all lost!
Thousands of lorries using our roads,
All of them carrying heavy loads!
Noise and pollution, it fills us with dread!
Insignificant impact, National Grid said!
Great Small Oaks school pupils affected by sounds,
Of National Grid working all around!
Poles to be driven into the Marsh,
This project's not Green, it's all very harsh!
Flood defences gone, carbon capture lost!
This project's not Green, it's just a big cost!
The continuous buzzing of cables overhead!
Peace no more, EMF emissions instead!
Hedgerows destroyed, and wildlife all gone!
No longer the site and sound of bird song!
Habitats lost and mindlessly destroyed,
A place no longer thriving, but left dull and void!
Where can our wildlife go when nothing is left?
3 miles down the Road, two turns to the left!
Animals can't read, don't National Grid know?
Their mitigation measures are simply a NO!
A farmer's field is what's in store,
As a replacement for hedges, streams, grasslands and more!
This isn't enough to replace what will be lost!
Sealink is wrong and must be stopped at all costs!
Pylons and cables to act as death traps!
To kill our birds, our swans, and our bats!
Insignificant impact is what National Grid say!
To get this through planning is their aim of the day!
So please, dear Examiners, their lives are in your hands!
Do not recommend they destroy our precious green lands!