

Much has been made, and quite rightly, of the devastating impact on the wildlife and countryside that this proposed development will have, so I won't repeat what many have already stated, what I would like to address, as I am completely baffled by it, is how did this proposal ever get to the stage we are now at?, hearings and deliberations, the Minster Marshes have just about every possible environmental protection status that we have in the UK, SSSI and Ramsar amongst others, do these actually carry any weight?, or are they just labels we attach to our environment to make us feel better about ourselves, and can be trampled over and trashed when it suits?, if the answer to that question is 'no', then surely, when NG first mooted building this monstrosity in such an ecologically sensitive area, they should have been told to look elsewhere in no uncertain terms, this proposed desecration shouldn't have even been given any credence or serious attention. I would like to add that although I am a resident of Thanet, my objection is in no way NIMBYism, I would be against this wherever it may be in the country, as these kind of areas are irreplaceable, once gone, never coming back, if this gets the go ahead, then everybody who helps to make that decision will be deemed culpable in destroying one of the most unique places this area, county and country has, therefore I urge you to get NG to look elsewhere for their project, you cannot save the planet by destroying the planet. Thank you for the opportunity to speak.