

Cumulative impact of this project, which together with an unbelievable amount of new housing, is wiping out Thanet's green spaces. However that is not my greatest concerns: The carbon footprint of this build, because it is planned to be built on marshland, will mean deep pile driving and an enormous concrete plinth. Disturbance to local businesses and residents is expected to be twelve hours a day, seven days a week, with tens of thousands of lorry movements for four years! Residents will live with constant noise pollution as we are told there would be an ever present hum from the building. With more building around Weatherlees sewage plant it means less opportunity for the necessary expansion require to cope with the incredible amount of additional houses being built in Thanet. Light pollution from this project will affect humans but also the wildlife who use these wetlands. There are over 30 red listed birds not just living, but thriving, on Minster Marshes and Pegwell Bay, as well as bats, beavers and other wildlife. It is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and as such, we the electorate, expect it to be protected as laid down by law. In this area, especially at the bottom of Minster village, there is a history of flooding. We are told that there is a very real flood risk with the loss of carbon sink without this marshland. Lastly National Grid is a private company and as such their responsibility is to their shareholders. I believe that that the proposed site for this project is not the best option- however it probably is the cheapest.