

I am writing to express my strongest possible objection to the proposed change to Pegwell Bay. This proposal is a clear demonstration of a total lack of care for both the local community and our environment.

The Hoverport area is an invaluable space for local people. It is one of the few places where people can exercise in a peaceful, coastal setting. To transform this into a heavy construction site is a direct assault on the emotional well-being of the community. Many of us rely on the tranquility of this landscape to escape daily stresses; losing it to noise, vibration, and industrial traffic will have a catastrophic impact on our mental health.

I want to specifically highlight the impact on residents of Sandwich Road. For people with limited mobility, the Hoverport site is one of the only accessible open spaces available to them. Taking away a flat, accessible area for those who cannot easily travel elsewhere is discriminatory and cruel. Furthermore, this site is a vital educational resource used by local schools for field trips. Removing this outdoor classroom denies our children the chance to learn about their local environment and the unique mosaic habitat of the bay.

National Grid's "Response to Consultation" and their "Pegwell Bay Construction" document are concerning. Their plans for destruction in the bay and the sheer scale of the construction activity are outrageous. It is evident that the applicant has prioritized their own convenience over the health, accessibility, and heritage of the people who actually live here.

The damage to the saltmarsh and the disruption to those of us living right next door is unacceptable. I urge the Examining Authority to listen to the hearts of the local people and reject these plans.