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Dear all

Comments regarding this application from Sandgate Parish Council

Resolution: In light of new information received we see nothing which changes our original objections. We also note that Historic England had objected to the local plan on the basis of the damage to Royal Military Canal, a scheduled monument, therefore:

Sandgate Parish Council objects on the grounds identified in Historic England's letter of 26/10/17 in particular

- a) the proposed development would cause 'serious and unjustified harm' to the Royal Military Canal (RMC), a scheduled monument whose conservation warrants great weight in any planning decision
- b) the proposed heritage benefits of improved public access and interpretation of the RMC must not be offset against the serious harm as they do not flow from the development
- c) the application omits how the development meets the National Planning Policy Framework (section 12) requirement to conserve heritage assets, including their setting, in a manner appropriate to their significance. No other planning consideration is given a higher weighting in the NPPF and scheduled monuments are considered to be 'heritage assets of the highest significance'

Sandgate Parish Council recommends that if this application by Folkestone & Hythe District Council is approved by itself then the application is referred to the National Planning Casework Unit for the Secretary of State to consider the application.

Kind regards and best wishes

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