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I wish to OBJECT to the above Planning Application for the following reasons.

1). The proposed site is immediately adjacent to one of the most important European Environment Special Protection Areas in England. This special nature reserve has a far higher degree of importance and protection than an SSSI. Approval of the proposed application would undoubtedly adversely affect its current status and should engender severe criticism from the Environment Agency.

2). The site, as far back as the edge of the rare brackish salt water lagoon, was filled in with many hundred of tons of waste material including old metal objects and building rubble, this infill was later levelled to a height of several feet above the lagoon, and used to store old boats, the occasional derelict caravan and general waste. It would certainly be unstable for heavy buildings and their equally heavy contents, and a comprehensive environmental investigation into both its stability, contents and the probability of pollution of the site and the immediately adjacent SPA lagoon, should be urgently initiated.

3). The proposed plan, would reduce the already limited strategic gap between the villages of St. Helens and Bembridge The 19 industrial and additional dwelling houses could not, in any possible way, be construed as "Marine Related"., which is what, several years ago, the Island Planning Authority said how the present development along the Embankment should be considered.

Please do not allow our lovely Island to become an Industrial park, or loose our unique natural heritage to any sort of local or otherwise financially motivated developers,

Kenneth Hicks.