

Possible alternative zoning of Port Ramsgate

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Suggestions for zoning the 32 acres:

Regarding the future of Port Ramsgate, what if Brett was no longer a problem, whether they stay or not? What if Ramsgate could become renowned as an exemplar of green energy technology and its application in urban development? What if Ramsgate Maritime Village morphed into Ramsgate Green Village, or more succinctly Ramsgate Green?

If Brett stays we should be able to limit them to current levels of occupancy and segregate the industrial from the mixed development with a boundary wall. Below is an ariel view of the Port with a possible boundary line between the two main zones. The two innovations proposed are marked as “A” and “B”.



“A” marks the southern boundary; a solid blind wall of sufficient height to obscure the industrial zone. It would also provide an acoustic and pollution barrier. The southern side of the wall could be covered with solar energy panels.

The northern side of that wall should have built upon it the Green Energy Campus. This is a nerve centre of collaboration between academic and industrial organisations driving the green revolution. It could provide research, educational and conference facilities with ready access to extensive light

industrial facilities on the Brett side of the boundary for practical work to be done.

That practical work could find expression in the rest of the development. Ramsgate Green should be a global example of what can be achieved to make urban deployment ecologically sound. That would feed back extra impetus to the Green Energy Campus. Put that there first and let it build the rest with the latest technology. Of course Ramsgate Green could also be really green. Sheltered from the prevailing winds it would be a great place to grow green spaces.

“B” marks a covered two lane access for the exclusive use of the industrial area. The roof over it could be a pleasing public space with a view of Pegwell bay and its sunsets.

The key benefits of this plan are threefold. We minimise the disadvantage of industrial neighbours and add an attractive feature. We invest in activity vital to the world’s future which will be attractive to government and private investors alike. We embrace the best chance of attracting quality jobs and the right people to do them.

This plan offers a phased approach to optimising the opportunity offered by the thirty-two acres.