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Application WSCC/028/21

Rock Common Quarry The Hollow Washington Pulborough

STRONGLY OBJECT – Additional Information

My previous objection stands and following the additional Information presented by the applicant I have the below comments:

- I have concerns about the proposed maintenance of water levels. I have attached some photos of recent flooding onto my property. The water plan needs specialist, (independently sourced by WSCC), unbiased attention to ensure leaching is contained and flooding does not impact on my land and business. I have concerns a 'Well' in practice will not be the solution and that a comprehensive pumping operation would need to be adopted. I also am concerned that now a clay liner is not necessary, this is SO important as children play and nature exists in Honeybridge stream.
 - Furthermore in reality how can this application even be considered given the flooding we currently have and will only increase, indeed the Flood Authority has objected due to the significant flooding risk and this is not addressed.
- This restoration would take so much longer than we are given to believe. It is a ruse to say that in less than 10 years we will have a wonderful fishing lake attraction, this is a 20+ year processing operation that will be extremely profitable for Wiston and Dudmans. It will run and run and I feel it is quite insulting to have people believe otherwise.
- There is a false claim that there are no other inert landfill sites in the area. There are two within 3 miles further validating my above comment that the demand will not fulfil the need and especially withing the timeframes given.

- Saturday working hours are totally unacceptable. The high pitch noise of operational vehicles in the quarry and other processing noises will destroy a beautiful, peaceful environment and destroy our all year round business that we have invested so much in, including our own dwelling to better manage the site.
- The movement of 300 lorries per day will exacerbate an already intolerable situation. It has been horrendous on the A283, aside from the high number of accidents, events at Wiston have caused extreme traffic jams over the Spring/Summer. Rampion II (which is needed for the environment) are also going to be crossing the A283 twice and are using a site on a tight bend just past the Hollow as a compound for heavy plant and site offices etc. furthermore pollution is already at record levels in our area.

I sincerely hope that common senses prevails and the Quarry is left to rewilding, or a reservoir. No reasonable explanation has been given why Rewilding is not an option rather than risking flooding, leaching and ruining tourism and nature in the area. This is purely a substantial financial gain opportunity that doesn't meet a much needed demand.

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