Comment for planning application WSCC/028/21

Application number Name WSCC/028/21

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

I strongly object to this application

TRANSPORT - 300-500 lorries per day would be a huge inconvenience to existing road users of the A283 and A24. As this area is already highly polluted this extra volume of heavy traffic would not be welcome or safe in practice. I myself have had my windscreen chipped and cracked three times from stones flying off lorries on the A283. Many lorries already use this road each day. This great increase would drive tourism away from the area.

NOISE - I am a frequent visitor to Washington Park Caravan and Camping Park. This site is adjacent to the Quarry and it's entrance and exit way is to and from the A283. I am extremely concerned about the noise level that would result from lorries dropping inert waste, the stockpiling of and the treatment of this imported material and placement within the quarry void, which would result in dust blowing over the campsite with a prevailing easterly wind.

These operations would be extremely noisy for visitors and customers of the Caravan and Camping park business. The hours of operation would be wholly disruptive especially as they would be working Saturday's, which seems to be new feature. This is the busiest time for the Caravan and Camping Park and people will not be able to enjoy this quiet oasis and wildlife at the foot of the Southdowns National Park.

WATER - I am also extremely concerned that it would be very difficult to control the fact that imported material is in fact inert and that it would not be possible to this constantly. The risk of polluted water would be high. This in turn could pollute the Honeybridge stream which is enjoyed by so many, especially by the children who visit the Park. They love to paddle in the clean water. The stream encourages wildlife such as deer, fish, moorhens, ducks and a variety of flying and water-based insects. Just as important there could be a high risk of pollution to the quality of the local water supply if contaminated water leeching out. Filling up the quarry could also be a flood risk to the surrounding area.

ECOLOGY - It is lovely to watch the local wildlife (ducks, moorhens, geese), they fly over daily to the quarry. There is an enormous amount of wildlife at the quarry and this would be destroyed by the inert material and noise.

SUMMARY- I feel that if this current proposal is approved, it will be detrimental to this beautiful area which is close to the South Downs National Park and cause a huge amount of disruption for all the local people and damage the local tourism industry over the projected timescale to completion which I very much doubt would be 8 years or less and from which there could well be no recovery. It appears to me that this planning proposal is being presented as a vision of beauty for the future when it is in fact a way of bringing a lot of. Financial benefit to those concerned whilst at the same time generating very heavy traffic and pollution, destroying wildlife and tourism in the area, ie hikers and campers etc which will affect local businesses, shops, pubs, restaurants, camping sites etc for at least 10 years, probably much longer.

People love coming here because of the natural beauty, amenities, wildlife. Let us keep it that way and keep the quarry as a natural haven for wildlife.

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