

# Comment for planning application WSCC/028/21

Application number	WSCC/028/21
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Type of Comment	Objection
Comments	<p>To WSCC planning committee regarding planning application WSCC/028/21. landfill site at The Hollows Washington</p> <p>This I understand is the third or fourth application put forward by the Goring Family ,Wiston Estates to turn the sand quarry above into a landfill site.</p> <p>Past applications have been turned down by WSCC as they have had the foresight to see through the thinly veiled propositions of past applications and I am sure will turn down this latest attempt to destroy the communities of Washington Wiston Buncton and Ashington through thier latest application.</p> <p>The reasons to reject this application are numerous :-</p> <p>Apart from the obvious noise, air pollution, which will arise from the processing of waste and the increase of HGV and heavy duty plant and machines operating in and adjacent to the quarry. This area of West Sussex already suffers greatly from motor vehicle movements Storrington being one of the top polluted villages in the country. Washington roundabout pollution recording are far above the national average listen to local radio regarding holdup times add to that an increase of 100s of HGV daily movements to and from the proposed site would the committee members appraising this application like to live in a polluted enviroment that they thankfully have the power to reduce in refusing to ratify this application. The A283 is already a notorious road in the county known for its above average accidents between Beeding and Washington with large road signs at the exit points to this section of the road detailing this matter and numbering recent accidents . This Sunday the 15th August an accident occurred on the road between Steyinig and Washington outside the entrance to WISTON HOUSE resulting in the road between closed to all traffic for most of the day. Add to that 100s of HGVs movements.</p> <p>Any type of landfill action would put the already predujiced aquifier that runs along this side of the South Downs at risk from further pollution. Of which I understand that toxins have been found and recorded in the Honeybridge Brook that connects to the Adur which picks up a polluted leaching from the failing landfill site adjacent to this proposed application.</p> <p>Add to that another reservoir of toxins!!!</p> <p>This may explain why there have not been any Sea Trout sightings making the journey up the brook for at least 12years.</p> <p>The diversity of wildlife in the quarry is a jewel that should be protected at all costs or even encouraged and certainly protected as we in this country are losing species faster than the toxins that will leach from these landfills .</p> <p>It is remarkable how species such as Sand Martins, Sand lizards Great Crested Newts which its migratory breeding route falls within the quarry species of Blue Butterfly, Stag Beetle and migrant butterflies are regular visitors that do co-exist with the current sand extraction which in the past years have been greatly reduced.</p> <p>Other residents who have records of the wildlife in this area of Washington will enlarge on the varieties I have mention. This eco system surviving and flourishing in the quarry will be lost if a landfill goes ahead.</p> <p>Therefore we have unrealistic increase of vehicle movements especially 100s of HGVs stuck in traffic holdups belching out carsogenic fumes into the enviroment and increasing the risks of accidents on already dangerous roads. The propsed landfill is a health hazard to all who enjoy this location in West Sussex apart from the residents of Ashington Washington Buncton &amp; Wiston the camp sites of which sit on the edge of the quarry the South Downs.</p> <p>Of which the quarry was left out of the National Park when the boundaries were drawn up. Was WSCC consulted on this matter or did they make any recommendations on boundaries?</p> <p>It is a shame that the quarry were left out of the park as with a small investments the quarries could have and should have become a bonus to the park and a haven for wildlife that all could enjoy. Especially as more and more people during this awful pandemic which I am afraid will be with us for many years and the restrictions on travel are using the park, downs and surrounding campsites for recreational purposes</p> <p>This all will be lost if this application goes through.</p> <p>I do hope that the committee reject this application as it would be a huge diservice to the residents in this area and to the greater community and visitor to the area which are greater in numbers than they have ever been would be a crime to humanity.</p>

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