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Planning Services
West Sussex County Council
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Dear Sirs

Rock Common Quarry, Washington. Application No. WSCC/028/21


I am writing to register my objection to the proposed continued extraction of sand at Rock Common Quarry and for the deposit of "inert" waste into the existing cavity. My understanding was that extraction would cease in December 2020 and that the area would be restored and made more attractive rather than less. This was to include the windmill once occupied by John Ireland.

The quarry is currently home to several species of wildlife that deserve protection, namely sand martins, peregrine falcons, newts and voles. Some leaching of toxic waste has already occurred with damage to the woodland surrounding the quarry.

The noise, dust, heavy lorries and consequent pollution will be very damaging to the local environment and thus will disturb the quality of life for the local population and the wider area. The turning of heavy lorries either from the Steyning road or the A24 into the quarry will cause tremendous disruption and possible fatalities as has been seen in the past. The gradual increase of traffic on the A283 caused by the deadlock over the A27 improvements will further exacerbate the traffic problems. The policing of what waste is allowed to be dumped is also of grave concern as only one lorry load of inappropriate rubbish will have consequences for decades to come.

I strongly urge you to oppose this proposal and require those concerned to carry out the improvements that were promised, now.

Yours faithfully



Helen Twine