

Comment for planning application WSCC/007/24

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Comments

The purpose of this intervention is primarily down to the lack of opportunity to digest, explore and challenge alternative options before letting this approach slip through and potentially have issues in the future.

My primary point is with regard to the significant disturbance of the land layout that could give rise to significant problems in the future.

The ICW method relies on a graded wet/marshlands to create a flow of water that meanders through plants, trees and grasses to filter the contaminants out of the waste product before expelling into the river. This is unlikely to be a problem during autumn and winter months, but the current pace of global warming could see a very dry environment that will just end up as a dumping ground for the waste water byproduct of our village sewerage. Causing stagnated pools of waste and smells emanating from the area and blowing towards some or all of the properties in the village.

The facility will rely heavily on the responsible maintenance of the site by Southern Water. I believe that Southern water will create the ICW environment and then discard it as a natural habitat and remove themselves from any accountability to maintain its effective operation.

This method is likely to result in cleaner water ways, but I have concerns that the land itself will absorb years of contamination, which could be a bigger issue than the minor shortfall of requirements entering the waterways.

Also, Southern water appear to be playing the last minute.com approach to railroad in a cheap solution for themselves. And. I consideration to the village of Staplefield. What is the village actually gaining from accepting their approach? I get it that the river will be cleaner to meet a new/revised legislation, it the potential negative impact could be far more detrimental to out environment. Including land quality, smell pollution, wildlife above and below ground, release of carbon through the excavation activities, additional traffic and its pollution along with its impact on the quality of our already defective roads.

I'd like more time to collectively explore options, rather than be pressurised into supporting something that is likely to have a long term detrimental impact on our stunning village that works perfectly fine as it is.

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Attachments