Comment for planning application WSCC/028/21

ROCK HOUSE NURSERIES THE HOLLOW, WASHINGTON, PULBOROUGH, RH20 3DA

Application number Name

WSCC/028/21

Mrs Patricia Golds

Address Type of Comment

Comments

Objection

Please note that my original objection dated 30/07/2021 still stands.

I have the following comments to make on the additional information that has now been provided. Plans - The applicants now state that the inclusion of a reference to a 1m thick clay liner was an "error" and should not have been included in the original application. Rock Common Quarry sits in a major aquifer, below the water table and adjacent to The Windmill and Rough closed household landfill sits. Any leachate or contamination would be an environmental disaster.

Highways - The traffic surveys undertaken by the applicants state that merely trimming a few bushes will make The Hollow/a283 road junction safe. No consideration has been given for large, slow moving HGV's turning into the site from the a283. The right turn into The Hollow is a particularly hazardous

Ecology- The ecology survey undertaken in Spring 2020 now needs to be reviewed as parts, or even all of it are now out of date. The applicants have still not produced a properly conducted Great Crested Newt survey. All ponds within a 500m radius of The Quarry should have been tested.

Water Neutrality - The applicants have a licence to pump up to 6000 cubic metres per day of clean groundwater into Honeybridge stream. I fail to see how saving the stated 2 cubic metres a day of mains water, possibly compensates for such vast quantities pumped to waste.

Flood Risk - This assessment contains reference to historic data. for example,

Rainfall data from 1970

Stream Flow data from 1965

This information cannot be relied upon.

The applicants quote again the nearest surface water flooding to Rock Common Quarry occured 1700m away in Hole Street/a24 (no date has been supplied for this reference). I categorically know that homes and businesses in The Hollow were inundated with flood water in October 2000, January 2008 and June 2012, and yet the applicants have chosen to ignore these more local occurances.

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