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To: PL Planning Applications; Chris Bartlett

Subject: RELEVANT OBJECTIONS TO PLANNING APPLICATION WSCC/028/21 - ROCK COMMON QUARRY

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Dear Mr Bartlett

I have now lived in Rock Lodge, The Hollow for 17 years. In those 17 years this is the 3rd landfill planning application that Wiston Estates have proposed to fill the Rock Common Quarry on The Hollow. The previous 2 in 2015 and 2010 failed for numerous critical reasons.

Rock Common is in the beautiful and historic village of Washington that dates back over 1200 years. These proposals have been and continue to be without any consideration to village life. The planning application above states various including one point that there has been no flooding in the area. I attach the above photograph that shows a photo of my home on Monday 11^{th} June 2012 that resulted in our home and buildings insurer paying out £90,000. It took years to put the property right after initially having to move into a hotel and losing the entire contents of our home as it is on one level only and similar to a bungalow.

And now with the same empathy they have showed us over the past 17 years Im going to outline why these proposal's literally stink and have been generated by Wiston Estates and Dudman out of pure greed and nothing else.

Firstly, there is a high risk of polluting the aquifer that runs underneath the quarry and along the South downs. Secondly, based on their planning application there is said to be 500 lorry movements per day that will bring chaos to the A283 from Steyning to Storrington and surrounding roads including the A24 both north and south.

We regularly see incredible wildlife in our area and understand there is 40 species of birds including protected species ie Peregrines, Linnets and Kingfishers. Other protected wildlife include Dormice and Badgers that live in and around the quarry. The original plans when all the sand had been extracted was to turn it into a nature reserve/lake. Landfill will decimate their habitat. Right at the top of the hill above the quarry is a grade II listed windmill that is falling into disrepair. At the southern end of the quarry stands "Washington Campsite", a picturesque campsite and tourist hotspot that has the Honey Bridge Stream running at the bottom of it for families to enjoy and create memories. I cant imagine the scene after Wiston & Dudman have finished with it. The proposal is for inert waste ie concrete. It will only take one dust cloud to bring the business into ruins.

And speaking of dust I moved away from the town to have a better quality of life and breathe in nice clean air, the impact of dust on those who suffer from Asthma, Bronchitis and Allergies not forgetting all those who suffer from more serious conditions like COPD and Emphysema doesn't bare thinking about!

As for the impact on tourists that enjoy walking on the south downs – im sure they will appreciate their new view along the way.

Finally I need to point out that the previous 2 applications and this one provide inaccurate

statistics and misleading information, they have only one mindset and that's to make money without due consideration to anyone or anything that gets in their way.

Kind regards

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