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Subject: ISSUES WITH ONLINE APPLICATION BEFORE THE DEADLINE Objection to Application WSCC/028/21
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Dear Mr Bartlett,

I do hope you will accept the below email as we were unable to file our objection through planning portal yesterday due to an error with your system.

As owners of Pump House Cottage and one of the properties named to be affected by dust by the proposed works we object to the application on many fronts, of which i have listed below: Even an initial skim read shows that the submitted planning application categorically misleads by stating differently to the Terrestria environmental report. Section 6 of the application marks all answers as no with regards to contamination whereas the report contradicts this on page 18 when stating "the Windmill Landfill Site and flow into any water body created in the quarry. In other words, there would be a direct pathway for the passage of pollutants from the landfill site to pass into the restored water body" therefore this must already be an issue.

The application states no use or storage of hazardous substances but yet all of the machinery will run on diesel which HSE have produced doc SR16 COSHH document for!

The application states that the works wont increase the flood risk elsewhere but how can a free draining sand quarry have the same run off into the lake area as an area which is to be filled with high clay content soils from the surrounding areas. The run off will be quicker and at a higher rate into the proposed lake and therefore a higher amount of water will be pumped into the Honeywell stream which will increase flood risk. This is a simple soil geology given.

The application states that the area cant be seen from a public footpath but yet Terrestria state that Footpaths 2701 & 2604 skirt the quarry and the quarry yard.

It is very concerning that such simple things have been lied about on the application and i have no faith whatsoever that the applicants have a firm hold of the large implications and issues involved with this application.

Im sure that many have objected to this application but as per wsc documents that state the specified issues that you will take into account i list below our direct concerns:

Suitability of use for the area: Due to contamination leaching across from the windmill quarry we do no believe that this is a suitable area. It will be a great risk to change the way that this land is managed and that the status quo should remain with the area being allowed to rewild like the Knepp estate only 10 minutes away and that the water is continued to be pumped out as per existing.

Effect on historic features: The windmill is likely to be affected by the vibrations caused by the conveyor belt running under the road and as you know this property is listed. I dont think that your letter to Historic England took into account the indirect affects of this proposal.

Dust/odour/fumes: On such a large site i think it is unrealistic to believe that the proposed dust control will be anywhere near good enough in dry periods. Our property is named as being affected by this and with a 3 month old baby we are not at all happy about the potential for poor air quality and loss of amenity of our garden which was one of the main reasons for purchasing

the property.

Impact on trees /hedgerows:

This proposal will destroy many trees within the quarry which will be a material loss to the area.

Traffic generation/access/highway safety: The 500 vehicle movements of HGVs per day is very worrying, they will bring with them higher pollution, potential congestion at peak times and be a danger on the junction of the A283 and the Hollow. We frequently see crashes on this corner, many of which are unreported and therefore wont show in statistics available to you. The traffic survey undertaken for this application was done during lock down so i cant see how this can be even remotely accurate but instead highly favourable to the applicants.

Impact on natural environment including animals and their habitat: This site will be decimated and all wildlife within will be ruined for many years to come. Habitats that have had time to thrive will be destroyed and with the best will in the world habitat relocation just isnt good enough. Wiston want to make this an ecological show case by destroying it. Knepp castle has rewilded to worldwide acclaim but to me it appears that Wiston arent happy with the decades of income generated by this land but want more money by creating the narrative that they need to be paid for local hauliers and Dudmans customers to fill the land first before letting it do what it is already succesfully doing for nature.

Noise/disturbance: 500 HGVs a day can only affect noise and disturbance to what is a rural area adjoining the ANOB of the south downs.

Effect on landscape or character of area: As above this is a rural area with small villages, an industrious application like this offers us no benefit whatsoever but only years of suffering so that Wiston can continue with a vast income to our detriment.

The proposed ecological hub they state will benefit the area isnt even needed, there is a campsite on the boundary of the quarry so instead let nature have the land back, carry on pumping water out as is the current status quo and in years to come wildlife day tours can make use of the area which will thrive further.

Out of the 10 issues that WSCC state can be taken into account we believe that there are very strong reasons for 8 of these points to deny planning for this scheme. It is just not suitable and not needed for anyone but the owners and Dudmans.

Kind regards

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