

WASHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



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Mr Sam Dumbrell
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Dear Mr Dumbrell

Re: WSCC/104/13/SR - Washington Sand Pit, Hampers Lane - The continuation of mineral extraction for a two year period and the importation of inert material over a five year period only, to enable the restoration of mineral working at Washington Sandpit for the long term benefit of the Sandgate Country Park.

Washington Parish Councillors met on 20th January to discuss the above application.

Although the site is not within the parish of Washington, Councillors are concerned regarding any impingement upon a Restoration Plan submitted and approved in 1993. Importation of inert waste to the sandpit would render the proposal for a lake, included in the Restoration Plan, unviable and the future option of a Country Park jeopardised.

Councillors agreed to **STRONGLY OBJECT** to the application, given that vehicle movements appear to be excessive. Councillors would be pleased to understand how West Sussex County Council anticipate the proposed daily traffic movements (39) within the application dovetailing with the current traffic movements generated by ongoing development at the former RMC site, adjacent to Washington Sand Pit.

Kind regards

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