

Comment for planning application WSCC/004/20

Application number	WSCC/004/20
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Comments	<p>My comments concerning this re-application for the restoration of the cap on the existing landfill site are as follows: With regards the actual works, I concur with and support the comments in the submission by the Environment Agency in relation to the planning conditions that need to be put in place and adhered to by the applicant 'because it cannot be guaranteed that the development will cause or be put at unacceptable risk from, or be adversely affected by, unacceptable levels of water pollution'. However I have concerns in terms of the proposed access/egress/transport route in and out of East Grinstead. I can completely understand the rationale of 'one way in and one way out' and getting back onto the strategic network as quickly as possible, however this still presents challenges and I would like to hear the outcomes of any subsequent discussions between Highways and the applicant as just to how they will best mitigate these challenges. . I understand that the proposal shows the routing in terms of access to the site to be via Ship St/Dunnings Rd along to Evergreen Farm, to then egress from the site by continuing southbound along the West Hoathly Road to then turn sharp right at Saint Hill Green up onto Saint Hill Road, crossing the B2110 to continue along Imberhorne Lane to pick up the A22. I am particularly concerned about the impact in/around Saint Hill Green with large lorries turning right off /onto what is a fast moving, tight corner/bend with limited visibility, further exacerbated by the comings and goings of coaches into the Church of Scientology which is situated on the opposite side of this small green in an area that has residents properties directly adjoining the highway. The roads are tight on both sides and for this reason I would have liked to have seen some vehicle tracking in this area but having looked through the documentation there does not appear to be any - only tracking in/out of Evergreen Farm which with respect is not telling the whole story. Egress along West Hoathly road is narrow and tree lined with high sided banks prior to turning sharp right past Saint Hill Green up onto Saint Hill Rd. In terms of the noise impact - I note that it has been agreed that lorries would arrive outside of the peak hours which noted to be 09.30 to 15.30. Whilst we cannot control who is on the highway at any given time I am concerned at the prospect of lorries potentially arriving at very early hours prior to the opening of the site and waiting nearby which could cause disturbance to local residents. In terms of dust/dirt mitigations, I understand that there will be wheelwash facilities which will go some way to reducing materials being transferred onto the highway when egressing the site. If the proposed routing is to be altered subsequent to these comments I would say now that I would not support any routing directly through the town centre particularly via West St which is extremely narrow in part, has undergone recent traffic calming measures with raised pillows being installed, and still suffers as a cut through for large skip trucks enroute to their base in Turners Hill as well as residents vehicles with trailer attachments enroute to the local recycling site at Imberhorne Lane continuing to cause noise. Finally I would support the agreement of a Section 59 between Highways and the applicant in terms of any Highways reparations needed during the approximate 2yr time period of the works and I would request that the applicant appoints a community liaison officer to engage with local residents during this time as I feel this would go a long way in terms of local relations.</p>
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