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Planning Application number : WSCC/004/20

Dear James Neaves,

I should like to make the following comments to the above planning application,

1.10 Although the back access is shared with Standen it does not allow for the use of HGVs, only agricultural vehicles. There is no precedent for the use of HGVs on that track by Evergreen Farm. Also the proposed exit is totally unsuitable for the use of HGVs. Only one car can pass at that point. Also there is a bus stop on the corner with West Hoathly Road and another opposite, both of which are in regular use throughout the day. They would find it impossible to operate and cause a danger to passengers, if this planning application was granted. No mention has been made of them.

1.11 The applicant says he is "agreeable" and in 2.19 "open" to restricting HGV use outside of peak hours and adds "if necessary"; which means it is not conditional and is at his own discretion which therefore can include any time between 7am and 5pm.

There are a number of references to environmental reports and assessments throughout this application but the evidence they present is unsubstantiated. There does not appear to be any means of seeing them for ourselves. Are they on view and do we know if they have been carried out in a professional and scientific manner which will stand up to scrutiny.

1.14 The proposal to replace felled trees is not conditional and is down to the Applicant's choice and therefore meaningless.

1.15 Much is made about the pollution risks to the public throughout this application; yet a campsite has been operating at the property for the past few years. These campers were in close proximity to the designated area, yet Mr. Pearce was not concerned that he was exposing them to a health hazard. Also neighbours' horses were allowed to graze there without any ill effects.

2.11/12 The local roads have neither the capacity nor the conditions to safely accommodate 35 HGVs per day. In fact there are points along the route where HGVs will find it very difficult to manoeuvre and could pose a risk to human life. It would be interesting to know who conducted the vehicle count and as of to its authenticity.

2.15 It is a worrying proposition to learn that "the source of soil is not known and multiple sources of material are probable". It begs the question how will we know whether toxic materials may be used on the site. Also it is a gross misuse of the word soil, a substance of great complexity in which seeds germinate and plants grow.

I strongly object to this planning application being ranted for all of the above reasons.

Thank you for consideration of the matter.

Yours Sincerely
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