Comment for planning application WSCC/036/20

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Objection

I wish to strongly object to this application for the waste sorting facility. Whilst I appreciate the requirement for sensitively managed facilities with West Sussex I firmly believe that this site is unsuitable for a development on such a large and unsympathetic scale, particularly given its proposed location immediately opposite a residential development. The application site is wrongly located as it is next to a mixed use site containing 1,500 homes, in the adopted Arun Local Plan and Ford Neighbourhood Plan. I support Ford Parish Council's wish to create a 'heart' to their village and provide local affordable housing via their Community Land Trust. And hope that Ford village can become an outstanding example of how communities can work together to influence the creation of new places that enhance their surroundings and provide high quality living for future generations. This newly identified community is now at risk from the effects of a proposed energy recovery facility which is considerably larger in scale than the one previously approved on this site. The impacts are set out in detail in the letter by Ford Parish Council, which I fully support. In summary the proposed facility should be refused planning permission for the following reasons: Its excessive size and design would be highly damaging to the immediate landscape and views from the South Downs National Park contrary to landscape and design policies in the Ford Neighbourhood Plan, Arun Local Plan and the National Planning Policy Framework 170 and 172; It is contrary to national policy and guidance that the planning system should support the transition to a low carbon future in a changing climate. National Planning Practice Guidance describes the need to address climate change as 'one of the core land use planning principles' that should 'underpin both plan-making and decision-taking'; It is contrary to the direction of travel set out in the Environment Bill which seeks to move our economy away from the 'take, make, use, throw' system to a more circular economic model that keeps resources in use for longer and ensures that we extract the maximum value we can from them; It could prejudice the delivery of the market housing on the adjacent allocated site because of the developer's concerns about the impact of the proposal on the sales value of dwellings; and It could prejudice the delivery of affordable housing on the adjacent site by the Community Land Trust. In addition the main route for transport to the site would be via the A259 road which at this point, between Littlehampton and Clymping remains a single carriageway route and is not suitable for the increase in volume of HGV road traffic generated by the site.

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