Comment for planning application WSCC/036/20

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

I strongly object to this planning application for the following reasons: Ford Parish Council's Neighbourhood Plan Policy SA1 represents a Ford Airfield development of 1500 house s which will be adjacent to the proposed site. I cannot believe that anyone would want to buy a house next to this proposed facility thus potentially putting Arun's housing land supply in an even worse position than it currently is. Walberton Parish's boundary is less than 2 miles from the site and the land between is relatively flat and the elevations are very similar therefore the chimney stack and tall building would be visible from Walberton Parish as it would be above the horizon as a major blot on our landscape. The prevailing wind for the area is from the south-west and this means that Walberton Parish is predicted to receive an amount of pollution from the site. Given that Walberton consists of a large number of elderly people and those whose health would be affected by this pollution and that the variable quality and nature of the fuel used (as household waste is of variable type), exact prediction of the issues is challenging but most definitely concerning for our parish. Public safety may be impacted by pollution. There will be quantities of household waste stored on the site while it is sorted and processed. There have been a number of fires at Household Waste Recycling Centres linked with the presence of lithium batteries, not uncommonly found in household waste despite advice being to separate batteries from devices before disposal. A fire immediately next door to the new Ford Airfield housing estate will result in major issues with hazardous fumes and as at the recent Westhampnett Recycling Centre these fires can be difficult to extinguish. The presence of chemical and fuel stores on site (ammonia and diesel) increases concerns should there be a major incident. The size of this proposal will impact significantly on landscape and views. The proposed development appears to be in conflict with a range of planning policies, both local and national - Walberton Neighbourhood Plan 2020 - (protected views and vistas). National Planning Policy (NPPF) paragraph 148 NPPF paragraph 172 "Great weight should be given to conserving and enhancing landscape and scenic beauty in the National Parks ... "This impacts on the scenic beauty of the SDNP - views out of the Park will be adversely impacted. Policy EE1 (Support for Business Development) "Development proposals to upgrade or extend existing employment buildings will be supported unless the proposal would cause unaccepted harm to amenities of surrounding properties, landscape" which I consider the potential harm to the amenities would be unacceptable. Potential traffic issues - immediate local roads are minor and the A259 to the south is already busy. The continuation of North End Road north of the level crossing in Walberton Parish, has about 4% HGV traffic. Three of the possible offline A27 Arundel bypass routes cross the top of Walberton Parish enabling easy access to the A27 and increasing the HGVs on Yapton Lane. There will be added conflict with the extra traffic from the new housing estate - 3000 extra cars to conflict with these extra HGV movements. HGVs will generate pollution - including noise and diesel particles - near to residential areas.

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