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**Ref Ford energy from Waste site ref WSCC/036/20**

Dear Sir ,

I am writing to express my concerns about this application as I am very disappointed and dismayed to learn that this issue has arisen again. I wonder if anyone else is feeling like me that the opinions and views of local people are once again being dismissed and overlooked. No one seems to listen to the voices of local people who will be directly affected when planning applications like this appear. How convenient Covid 19 has been for Grundon causing them to abandon and avoid the public exhibition and consultation meeting on this proposal. Perhaps, if they had had to meet people face to face some of our worst fears might have been allayed and they would have had the opportunity to explain why such a hideous development is suitable for Ford. Especially, as we are just trying our utmost to create a proper village here with much needed housing. Who would want to own or buy a house on land anywhere near this proposed facility?

This whole development will be an immense intrusion into this area and will be a real blot on the landscape visible for miles. Sadly, this lovely part of the Arun Valley seems doomed to a horrible future. The local infrastructure is already insufficient and with this proposed development will only get much more strained and as a result the environment will suffer significantly. The issues of pollution, increased traffic and noise will spoil this locality forever.

Time and time again we have raised issues over emissions from such a facility and still we remain to be convinced about safety and the health and well being of everything in the location of this plant. This is not a case of complaint because we don't want it in our back yard. We are just immensely frustrated, disappointed and annoyed that yet again we cannot get proper thorough information. The concerns of local people seem to be being brushed aside.

Ford is not an industrial area we are really fed up with being used as a dumping ground waste capital of the south is what it looks as if we shall become. I do not feel at all reassured either by Grundon or Viridor their placations are poor and often do not directly address what is asked of them. How can we either trust or rely on the monitoring of this facility? Will it be carried out independently by external

professionals with the correct qualifications to undertake such work and who do not have vested interests in the company or its operations? Trying to pacify us with an inside job will not do. Such inspection only works if it is carried out independently with proper advice, recommendations that are listened to and acted upon and a trustworthy guarantee provided that no one will suffer adversely as a result of this structure and devastation being created. The impact on this locality and its environment the additional noise ,disturbance, vehicle movements to say nothing of the overpowering and dominant size of the plant with its giant chimney will destroy the character and landscape of this area.

Whilst, we all appreciate waste is a significant problem that needs resolution's and disposal is a priority for the future at what cost? Surely there are more suitable less intrusive locations on old disused and now abandoned former industrial sites within the county which could be developed for this purpose. There is an immense difference between the old block making plant that was once located in this area and what is being proposed.

I trust that this application will be looked at extremely carefully as it is something that will truly destroy all the community efforts so far employed to create a new village of Ford on the old airfield and ruin the locality and environment and put people's health and wellbeing at risk

Yours sincerely,

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