

# Comment for planning application WSCC/045/20

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Comments	<p>This is, in the current climate, a preposterous application! At a time when climate heating is so violently disrupting the infra-structure and agriculture of this country - and the World, we cannot realistically contemplate any more activity from the major cause - fossil fuel extraction. Unless we learn the lessons of the last year in this country alone, we will not survive long enough to use all the carbon these companies wish to exploit - even as they continue abusing the planet. Further mining activity will risk the pollution of our groundwater with devastating implications for the populations of East and West Sussex, both in the immediate area and much further afield. It will also threaten the pollution of the water stored in our local reservoir. This, after our water supplies have been severely compromised in recent weeks by the extreme weather conditions arising from climate heating, would be disastrous! The flaring process will also have a lethal effect on the local population's air quality - putting our local hospitals under yet more pressure as residents suffering from respiratory conditions, like asthma, require urgent admission for respiratory support after inhaling the lethal fumes carried by the wind to their communities. At a time when Covid19 is still precipitating respiratory distress in once healthy people, it would be a grossly irresponsible - one could say, genocidal, to pollute the air in this way. All the foregoing would be compounded by the impact of the juggernauts grinding through our narrow country lanes and villages, pouring diesel fumes into the already contaminated air - much of it at push-chair level; just at the right point to go straight into the infant's lungs, thereby exacerbating the risk to their health and neurological development. Moreover, we have many safe and sustainable alternatives for the provision of energy and safe plastics. Sun, water and wind are all cleaner, more readily accessible, sustainable and much cheaper options for maintaining clean energy and safe degradable plastics can be derived from plants. Conversion to the production of both models would add a new vigour to our local and national economy at a critical time in our history, even as the integrity of our oceans and climate is safeguarded. Therefore this Application has no merit and CANNOT be contemplated!</p>
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