Comn	nent for planning application WSCC/045/20
Application number	WSCC/045/20
Name	Tom Haywood
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Type of Comment	Objection
Comments	We have a 20 month old daughter and another baby due any moment. We are concerned that there will be a negative impact on the air quality in the surrounding area, which will have repercussions on our children's health. My wife used to work in oil and gas consulting and it's unclear why you are drilling on this site. The price of oil is very low right now and there are still huge reserves in the North Sea. Would the cost of drilling here combined with a very proud, tightknit community be worth it given the likely low oil price in the future? I can't imagine that the breakeven point is below \$40/bbl. Given the economic climate and transition to solar / renewables, it's unclear how this could be profitable. We would both be very intrigued to see the modelling that has taken place underpinning this E&P! Other reasons flagged it should not occur are: - Not suitable in an AONB Risk of pollution to nearby Ardingly reservoir Impact of flaring on air quality and health Increased HGVs going past Balcombe Primary school Risk of groundwater contamination We look forward to hearing from you, Tom

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Attachments