Comment for planning application WSCC/045/20
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Application
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Name

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

I object to the application for drilling at Balcombe on the following grounds: 1. The risky procedures remain even in the reduced time. 2. The proposed work is a major development and inappropriate in the High Weald AONB; there are no exceptional circumstances and it is not in the public interest. 3. Increased traffic and HGVs carrying chemicals or waste matter will bring potential dangers, especially passing the school. 4. Flaring, with increased CO2 emissions, will adversely impact on air quality and health. 5. Drilling procedures (a) use excessive water in a water-restricted region and (b) may cause ground-water contaminants, polluting nearby reservoir. 6. Disturbance to wildlife, already in steep decline, from noise and activity on site. See State of of Nature Reports, Wildlife Trust, 2013, 2016 & 2019. 7. Application is contrary to government climate change targets to meet net-zero emissions by 2050. 8. Keep fossil fuels in the ground and implement clean, renewable energy to reduce the climate emergency. In view of the above, I trust the Planning Committee will be minded to refuse the above application.

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