| Comn | nent for planning application WSCC/045/20 |
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| Application number | WSCC/045/20 |
| Name | Dr Alan William Rew |
| Address | WIBBERY, VICTORIA ROAD, VICTORIA ROAD, HAYWARDS HEATH, RH17 6LJ |
| Type of Comment | Objection |
| Comments | Angus Energy have been trying to force their way into Balcombe for some time now. They are not a good future corporate neighbour for the village because they are pushing this testing application even though the national need for onshore oil has declined significantly while clear risks remain to Balcombe residents from the closeness to village houses and people of the proposed Angus exploration operations. Balcombe Parish Council has said "no" repeatedly. Angus doesn't listen, just goes ahead with unwelcome planning applications. Balcombe is in an area of outstanding natural beauty. Any oil bearing rock strata in the village are not at any risk from current non-uyilisation. Nor will these strata somehow disappear if exploration is refused. Angus should leave them there for future generations to use on essential medicines and other public interest products rather than wastefully trying to test-extract them now when we have no overwhelming need for the oil. The benefit to be gained is insubstantial. Yet there are major costs in terms of risk to: geology and water, airborne pollutants from a year of more of flaring; children's health from significant increases in HGV traffic; and seismic consequences. On public interest cost-benefit grounds the application should be refused |

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