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I am writing to register my objection to the proposals for an incinerator at Ford.

I do not do so lightly as I totally understand the need for us all to find ways to deal with our waste disposal issues as efficiently and sustainably as possible.

However, I do not think that the incinerator proposal meets such objectives and the impact on the environment and natural world around it is just too awful to make it a consideration.

Incineration will have a very detrimental impact on air quality - introducing dioxins, Nox and ultrafine particulates into the local atmosphere that will be harmful to both people and nature. There is not enough monitoring, enforcement and transparency for this not to be a huge risk to the area.

Further incineration capacity is not necessary in the locality - West Sussex has sufficient incineration capacity

Incineration is a barrier to the further development of recycling and a circular economy.

The incinerator would lead to a very significant increase in the number of heavy lorries using local roads - already insufficient to needs and adding further to pollution.

The incinerator proposal puts at risk the ability of Arun to deliver one of its key strategic sites for a new settlement - with 1500 new homes and a new secondary school - a proposal that was supported at a local referendum.

On top of all this, the visual impact on this last stretch of undeveloped coast between Brighton and Bognor, and its view from the South Downs National Park, is just too awful to imagine. To contemplate inserting a structure of such vast scale and brutality on the landscape here is unimaginable. We will be ashamed of ourselves if we allow this to happen. Future generations would never understand why did this unrepairable thing. We would have blighted the South Coast and its view from the South Downs for ever, without sufficient reason.

I therefore object to this proposal in the strongest terms.

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