Comment for planning application WSCC/011/21

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Type of Comment	Support
Comments	I believe this represents an excellent opportunity for a well know family business and Viridor to further support the local residents, local businesses and local environment of West Sussex. Business rates will help to maintain and improve local quality of life which includes members of my own family whilst also providing education and career opportunities. The redevelopment of the brownfield site will see non-recyclable waste being dealt with close to where it is produced; reducing the need for landfill and reducing the carbon footprint of transporting the waste elsewhere. It shows nationally and internationally that we are taking ownership of the potentially damaging effects our waste has on the global environment, leading by example and keeping the momentum for change going. The energy produced for the grid will further reduce our reliance on fossil fuels; these are not only bad for the environment through the initial processes involved in preparing to release energy but also the waste products produced, and, reduce the environmental impact though mining, drilling and transporting fossil fuels via pipe laying or powered transportation. The risk of oil spills could potentially be reduced further with less reliance on oil for power. An example being affordable electricity in the home and workplace for charging hybrid and electric vehicles. Recent media reports have shown how vulnerable we all our (not just the U.K.) when relying on countries such as Russia for (as an example) gas supply and gas supply at a reasonable rate. Producing more, 'home grown energy' will increase our resilience to remain serviceable and operational, maintaining and enhancing our standing on the world stage without being held to ransom. We would also have more control over protecting our energy supply from cyber-attacks. Finally, there will be a tangible end product; the ash created will be used to support the building industry further reducing the carbon footprint of the waste. I would like to lodge my full support for this venture moving forward. To see West Sussex benefit from this amazing team effort and enhance West Sussex's profile by helping to better secure the future for our loved ones locally, nationally and internationally. Simon Isted. Facilities Manager. Grundon Waste Management.
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