

Comment for planning application WSCC/011/21

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I am objecting towards this proposal because of the effects the proposed incinerator would cause: 1) fumes produced by incinerators have carcinogenic effect onto human health. This incinerator would not be an exception. The following text is from Greenpeace report. 'A report, "Incineration and Human Health," released by Greenpeace today identifies more than a dozen serious health effects experienced by workers and local communities at or near incinerators. The health effects include different forms of cancer, respiratory illnesses and birth defects. Incinerator workers and children living near these facilities are among the groups that have been shown to experience these diseases. In addition, one of the more than 300 studies and papers cited by Greenpeace was a National Academy of Sciences (NAS) study which concluded that even the latest EPA regulations designed for incinerators "may not adequately reduce risks attributable to cumulative emissions on a regional basis." It is the cumulative emissions from all incinerators that threatens the general population, even thousands of miles from an incinerator, according to the NAS study. NAS found that "pollutants emitted by incinerators that appear to have the potential to cause the largest health effect are particulate matter, lead, mercury and dioxins and furans." NAS also noted that different types of incinerators -- municipal solid waste, medical waste or hazardous waste -- all emit similar pollutants. Furthermore, Greenpeace said its report reveals that incinerator emissions, such as dioxins have been shown to have widely contaminated air, water and food supplies, passing pollutants on to people through milk, meat and other fatty animal products. Finally, Greenpeace's report attempts to correct the idea that incinerators reduce waste. Its report shows that when all outputs from incinerators are added up, including all air emissions, ash and wastewater, they exceed all waste inputs. (Source: <https://www.ehstoday.com/archive/article/21907166/report-says-health-hazards-linked-to-waste-incinerators>) 2) Road traffic, road safety and road maintenance. Adding another 300-400 lorries a day to one road which is already experiencing traffic jams every morning and afternoon would simply cause havoc to the current road infrastructure between Littlehampton and Bognor Regis. Traffic jams starting already from Tesco roundabout in order to get to Ford or Yapton, or vice versa, more fumes and CO2 emissions from cars stuck in traffic, people being late to work, schools or studies, speeding once traffic is gone in order not to be late, stress 'behind the wheel'. All these would compromise road safety too. Even now as observed majority of lorry drivers who work at and around Ford Industrial Estate for waste companies including Viridor do tailgating on the roads in order to push for speeding. Their lorries are constantly in a rush on the road, even where the road bends. This is hugely influencing road safety. If another 300-400 lorries will be behaving the same way it can lead for road accidents to happen. The whole Ford and entry to Yapton already is surrounded by numerous companies which use trucks and lorries: Viridor, TJs Waste, Grundon Waste Management, Roberts Transport, Bleach of Lavant freight company. Moreover, there is Rudford Industrial Estate with many companies using lorries or vans. Also due to higher amount of trucks and lorries road maintenance will increase, again creating more traffic jams. And of course costs for road maintenance will increase too. 3) trust to local council. If local council approved this application - people would feel betrayed. Because it is obvious that this proposed incinerator is harmful to local and nearby communities. It simply would undermine peoples' trust in local government. In fact, such incinerators should not be allowed to be built around people households at all, but rather in rural areas, away from schools, children nurseries, surgeries and houses.

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