Comment for planning application WSCC/011/21

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

I find it inconceivable that WSCC would consider approving this completely inappropriate application which is in conflict with a range of planning policies, both local and national. I'm aware that Walberton Parish Council has submitted an objection setting out a number of these conflicts in detail and I fully support those comments. In particular I would like to highlight the following: Walberton Neighbourhood Plan 2020, Policy VE13 (Protected Views and Vistas) o The site impacts protected views 2 and 3. o The 2020 Plan was confirmed by referendum on 6th May 2021 and so is considered to be applicable to any planning decisions from that date. National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) paragraph 148: "The planning system should support the transition to a low carbon future ... shape places in ways that contribute to radical reductions in greenhouse gas emissions" NPPF paragraph 172: "Great weight should be given to conserving and enhancing landscape and scenic beauty in National Parks..." o This impacts adversely on the scenic beauty of the SDNP. SDNP - H1.11 Policy LAND M1 (Protection of Landscape Character): "Development within the setting of the South Downs National Park must have special regard to the conservation of that setting, including views into and out of the Park, and will not be permitted where there would be harmful effects on these considerations." I find it difficult to believe that WSCC is seriously considering approving the building of an 85m Dual Chimney Stack - just 2 houses shorter than the chimneys at Battersea Power Station - and a 38.5m tall building that will have a significant visual impact on the neighbouring properties even without considering any smoke plume. It will also be visible from Walberton Parish as it will be above the horizon (3 miles away at sea level) as a major blot on the landscape. Likewise, the view of it from the South Downs, eg the Trundle at Goodwood, should ensure the beautiful panoramic views that are regularly used to portray the area as one of the most picturesque in the country, would become a thing of the past!

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