Comment for planning application WSCC/011/21

Application number	WSCC/011/21
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Type of Comment	Objection
Comments	I wish to register my objections to this planning application for the following reasons: Visual impact: The visual impact of a construction of this height, which will be visible for many miles, will affect the South Downs National Park, Schedule Ancient Monuments, Grade 1 listed buildings and Sites of Special Scientific Interest. Housing Plans: An incinerator of this scale risks the deliverability of ADC's key strategic sites for a new settlement of a primary and secondary school with village centre and 1,500 houses. This was supported at local level. No local need for more incinerators: West Sussex already has enough incineration sites with permission to meet its needs. Incineration is a barrier to recycling. Incineration is not a source of "Green" energy and is detrimental to air quality: Incineration is one of the worst methods of energy-production because of its effect on climate change. At this time of increasing climate-crisis, we must move toward more renewable sources of energy. Emissions include dioxins, nitrous oxides and ultrafine particulate that is harmful to both human health and the natural environment. There is insufficient monitoring, infraction enforcement and transparency. Increased lorry traffic: The local roads are already under severe pressure and will not be able to cope with the extra 240 HGV movements. Concerns about the social responsibility of the applicant: The company has already had twenty formal warnings relating to operations at its Beddington plant with regard to breaches of what were supposed to be strict limits over pollution incidents at the incinerator. The figures were obtained by South London environmental campaigners through a Freedom of Information request, and cover the period from September 2019 to December 2020, as the incinerator became fully operational. It works out at an average of one warning every 23 days. Other figures obtained from Viridor have shown that the Beddington incinerator is pumping out three times as much of the greenhouse gas carbon dioxide as other, similar facilities. This appalling record, plus the fact that they intend to process or incinerate "industrial waste," does little to inspire confidence in their ability to guarantee the safety of local residents or to protect the environment.
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