

# Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number	WSCC/030/21
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Type of Comment	Objection
Comments	<p>Objection to the application: WSCC/030/21</p> <p>This area is a much loved, beautiful greenfield site; National policy states that waste sites should be sited in built-up areas or brownfield sites which this is not.</p> <p>The actual driving distance from layby site access point to the Lorry Route network (on A281), is 3.25 km. Not only does this exceed the recommended distance, but there is also a further 1.3km to reach the site from the lay-by access on woodland tracks. Thus, the total distance from site to the LRN is 4.55km, primarily along an unsuitable, minor road.</p> <p>The application includes a 15,000 sq ft building amid pristine woodlands. The ancillary building and quarrying operation would have a significant visual impact in the landscape, not to mention, a devastating effect on the wildlife of the area. There are no other buildings within the woodland.</p> <p>The proposed development would result in unacceptable conflicts/impacts with adjacent and established farming activity.</p> <p>There is currently sufficient capacity for Construction and Demolition waste in West Sussex, in already established locations which are far more suitable than this site.</p> <p>This plan is to recycle only 50% of the waste brought onto site. This is well below accepted industry standard.</p> <p>They propose to use the remainder for backfilling rather than improving the recycling rate, in addition if an increased recycling rate was then considered it would result in a further increase in HGV movements.</p> <p>Site access for HGV's will run on, alongside, and across established Public Right of Way routes regularly used by members of the public - giving rise to severe safety and health concerns.</p> <p>The roads in this area are already overused and unsafe at times without adding in the impact of heavy goods vehicles and additional wear and tear on the roads with this increased traffic.</p> <p>The application proposes the closure of footpath 792-1 (Northern Boundary) with a significant diversion, at great inconvenience to users. Whilst cited as "temporary" this closure would be for 33 years - a whole generation - I would doubt that this would ever be reinstated and would then be lost forever.</p> <p>The proposed operation does not conform with either the Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan, or the Chichester District Local Plan for development in a rural area. This application is not sensitive to its setting in terms of size, bulk or location. It does not enhance, protect or compliment the natural environment or rural character of the area.</p> <p>The proposed operation does not bring any demonstrable benefits to the local community - in fact I believe that this will only negatively impact the local community in terms of loss of beautiful rural space, damage and loss of wildlife and increased noise, light and traffic pollution.</p> <p>As a family we use and adore the local area, we chose to live rurally and enjoy the benefits of being part of the local community and part of that is a responsibility to look after, preserve and enhance the area for our future generations. This application does not offer any benefit to our community the wild life or our environment. I believe that there will be significant damage to the local area and this will have a long-lasting and irreversible negative effect.</p> <p>Hannah Carey</p>
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