

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>I object to application WSCC/030/21 for the following reasons:-</p> <p>I live in Cranleigh and like many other cyclists and walkers in the area have used the bridleway route via Rikkyo, through the Loxwood woodland for over 22 years. This route passes through wonderful woodland containing diverse habitats and is always full of excellent views, chances to spot nature in it's glory and is a peaceful area to ride and walk in. This all attracts visitors from outside the area who unwind, exercise, improve their mental health and also patronise pubs, cafes and the Loxwood Post Office.</p> <p>The roads to and from this route, although narrow, are usually also reasonably quiet and therefore safe. Increased HGV and waste activity as proposed in this application would threaten the peaceful woodlands and the safety/enjoyment of this ride. Also, as can be seen throughout Surrey, the roads would suffer from increased HGV traffic contention and increased road damage, with potholes and kerbside breakages becoming more common.</p> <p>In summary my objections are therefore:-</p> <p>I strongly object to the use of a peaceful greenfield site with an established environmental and recreational purpose being undermined. This application would certainly lead to a loss of amenity for me and the walkers, dog walkers, horse riders and cyclists who use this route.</p> <p>The loss of amenity is increased by the concern regarding the safety of continuing to use the bridleways and footpaths with contention with HGVs within the woodland, given the number of runs per day. Allied to this is the increased traffic on the narrow lanes bordering the woodland and consequent safety issues from HGV traffic, potholes and road damage. As a cyclist I do not enjoy being overtaken by HGVs on narrow roads with damaged borders. This hasn't been a problem for the last 22 years - why should it be now?</p> <p>The peacefulness will also be affected by the noise from the waste activities and any associated dust/equipment pollutants. This must also affect the local habitats beyond the proposed site. As a keen bird and beastie spotter I can't imagine how this will be affected by the noise and the increased light pollution.</p> <p>I like to cycle and walk in West Sussex, both on-road and on-bridleway, because it retains a rural feeling that I enjoy and applaud, please don't lose it.</p>
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