## Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Type of Comment Comments

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Objection

There is simply no justification for destroying ancient woodland to make way for this development. There is no current demand for brickmaking clay in West Sussex as there are already at least 25 years of reserves (the national and local requirement). According to national policy, waste recycling sites should be situated on brownfield sites, not pristine woodland in a wholly rural area. The loss of wildlife habitat which will result from this development is shocking, not to mention the loss of a valued amenity for walkers, cyclists and horseriders, especially with the proposed closure of a footpath. There are currently no buildings in these woodlands and this application includes plans for a 15,000 sq. ft building. This, as well as the quarrying operation will have a significant visual impact in this rural landscape, not to mention the resulting noise, air and light pollution. The proposed site is only accessible via a narrow, winding rural road for 3.25km, used constantly by cyclists and horses and yet the developers are proposing 42 HGV movements per day along this road for the next 33 years. At its narrowest point (5.1m) there is not enough room for 2 lorries to pass each other and the safety of the other road users will be put at significant risk. In addition, the junction with this road and the A281 at Bucks Green is already dangerous with an awkward turning angle and restricted views of approaching traffic. 42 lorry movements in and out of this junction onto a busy road every day will not only be dangerous but will have a significant impact on the flow of traffic on the A281 through Bucks Green. In summary, this location is wholly unsuitable for a quarrying/waste recycling operation. It will not benefit the local community in any way but instead will blight the lives of many for the next 33 years.

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