Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number Name Address

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Objection

Type of Comment Comments

I send in this objection in the hope it will prevent the destruction of a beautiful and peaceful area of woodland, where I have walked with close family members on numerous occasions.

My objection questions the requirement for the site and its location in a greenfield site, and notes the dangers that will result from the additional site traffic along narrow country lanes and the fact that the proposal does not follow local planning requirements.

As WSCC have more than 25 years of reserves, additional brickmaking clay is not required. There are currently three sites with 25 years supply of clay, and one with 24 years, so national and local clay requirements are already met. Clay extraction is normally close to the brick factories as it is uneconomic and environmentally destructive to transport clay over any distance. Note that the brick factories in the local woods closed over 100 years ago.

The proposed site is greenfield; National policy states that waste sites should be located in built-up areas or brownfield sites.

The distance from the site access point to the Lorry Route network on the A281 is 3.25 km (which exceeds the recommended distance), along a totally unsuitable, narrow country lane without footpaths. Dozens of additional HGVs travelling this route each day will (1) damage the road and (2) kill people and animals. From the site access point to the site itself is a further 1.3km along a woodland track.

The proposed operation does not follow either the Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan or the Chichester District Local Plan for development in a rural area. The size and location of the site is not sensitive to its setting, it does not enhance, protect or compliment the natural environment or rural character of the area, and it does not bring any benefits to the local community.

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