Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number Name

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5 The Riddens Loxwood Road Rudgwick

Type of Comment Comments

Objection Objection

I would like to object to this application for five reasons.

Tranquility

This proposed application would disturb the tranquillity of the woods and wildlife which would suffer with intrusive noise and lighting to be required for recycling and waste management.

Bird song would be replaced by highly intrusive noise from tracked vehicles and excavators.

HGV movements. Skip lorries and the wheel wash facility will create significant noise disturbance.

The application would impact on established farming activity.

Traffic

There would be an increase of HGV traffic through local villages/hamlets of Bucks Green, Tismans Common and Rudgwick.

The significant increase (c300%) in HGV traffic volumes will present a severe safety risk for existing road users along Loxwood Road. This has not been fully assessed.

There will present a severe highway safety issue from HGV's entering and exiting Loxwood Road / A281 junction at Bucks Green and from high passing speeds on a restricted width carriageway. The road is just 5.1m wide at its narrowest point and 5.5m along most of its length.

The Loxwood Road is narrow and not wide enough in several place for two HGV lorries to pass adequately and safely without endangering other road users. Horses and cyclists also both frequent the road at the same time.

There will be significant light, noise, and dust pollution from wheel wash and staff car parking. The proposed site access arrangements are not 'safe and suitable' as claimed and represent a severe risk to road users and pedestrians.

Suitability of location

The proposed site is on a green field site and waste sites should be sited in built-up areas or brown field sites.

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. There are no other buildings within the woodland.

Impacts at the lay-by

The movement of HGV's and the proposed redesign of the areas will result in disruption and loss of public parking and amenity at the lay-by.

There will be conflict between the private vehicles and HGV's queuing, entering and leaving the proposed site which will create a further severe road safety risk.

Environment

This is a high stressed area for water, and the development would further exacerbate this.

The development will result in an increase in net carbon emissions from the burning of fossil fuels; removal of tree canopy by felling and disturbance of the woodland floor.

The development will have a major impact on local wildlife habitat and species. For example, there is an active badger sett within close proximity of the lay-by, parking and wheel wash area that was bot referenced in the application

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