

# Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Name	<input type="text" value="Paul James"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="3 Firsfield Rudgwick West Sussex RH12 3HA"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>As local residents living within 2miles of this proposed development, my wife and I strongly object to the plans, primarily due to the environmental impact and associated safety hazards arising from the large volume of trucks that would be generated in this quiet rural area.</p> <p>Significantly, the proposed site and operation does not appear to conform with the Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan, or the Chichester District Local Plan for development in a rural area. The area surrounding Loxwood is a tranquil rural environment enjoyed by many local residents for walking, cycling and other forms of exercise. This application is not sensitive to the setting and should be rejected on the grounds that it does not enhance, protect or compliment the natural environment of this peaceful part of West Sussex. Currently, there is very low background noise in this area, such that the proposed development would likely generate unacceptable noise during its hours of operation - not only at the site but across local open countryside and environments.</p> <p>In terms of road traffic, this development would not only raise a serious increase in road noise and dust/mud pollution but also unnecessary safety hazards of collisions and accidents on narrow and winding country roads in the area. The local roads in this rural area are already busy 'cross-country' routes to nearby larger towns in West Sussex, Surrey and Hampshire. While local speed limits for such narrow country roads may appear prudent, our experience of living and travelling around here is the reality that many road users regularly ignore the speed limits and drive way above the designated speed, for which there have been numerous road accidents, including fatalities in recent years. The significant increase in HGV trucks will present an unnecessary and serious safety risk, not just to users of other motorised vehicles but also to pedestrians, numerous cyclists and also horse riders, for which this rural area attracts significant numbers. Specifically, at Bucks Green, where the Loxwood Road meets the main A281, the junction is already dangerous. We are concerned that the large increase in HGV trucks would add even more pressure and serious risk of a fatal accident at this very busy intersection.</p> <p>We welcome WSCC close examination of these issues.</p>
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