

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>I object to this proposal .</p> <p>The application makes a number of assumptions which are strongly contested, and I hope that WSCC rigorously check the veracity of the information and claims on which the development case is based.</p> <p>The quarrying may be small scale in general mining terms but cannot be accurately called "artisanal" and is large scale in its many impacts on the surroundings.</p> <p>There is no demand for additional brickmaking clay and WSCC has sufficient to meet its clay requirement. Without the need for clay this becomes an application for a waste recycling facility. Without the need for clay to be quarried there is nowhere for waste to be backfilled and all waste delivered here would have to be recycled and removed from the site. This makes a nonsense of the use of this site as it could be more practically placed on an existing industrial brown site - if, and only if, there was a requirement for such a facility - but there isn't - West Sussex currently has sufficient capacity for dealing with construction and demolition waste.</p> <p>In fact, the site proposal itself would contravene National Policy in that it is a greenfield site and waste site should be sited in built-up areas or brownfield sites.</p> <p>42 HGV truck movements a day across minor road to access the site would cause considerable damage to the unsuitable roads. This volume of heavy traffic will also cause considerable damage to the major roads and at whose expense?</p> <p>The extra HGV Traffic will have significant impact on local villages infrastructure and safety. There are several recently completed, and ongoing, local family housing developments which has resulted in more traffic, this mixing with HGVs every 15mins has safety implications.</p> <p>The continuous noise created by the waste recycling facility will disturb all around this quiet pristine woodland area and will be a considerable inconvenience to local residents. The noise of an extra 42 daily HGV's is also not to be ignored. Whilst the noise from the waste recycling facility is proposed to be low (again I beg WSCC to rigorously examine the testing and stats provided in the application) it will be continuous throughout the day and this cumulative effect is not acceptable.</p> <p>The impact on the environment and local ecology is very disturbing with major disturbance of flora and fauna. In a week that sees the publication of a damning Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report, we have real evidence of the need to act individually, and demand action from those elected to protect interests on our behalf, now to do what is possible to save our environment. Destroying pristine woodland and its associated ecosystem should be only considered if there is a pressing and in extremis need. In this case there is not such a need. Attempting to put it back in 33 years time will be too little too late. The impact of 33yrs worth of mining, waste disposal and of 42 daily HGV movements in terms of their emissions alone is significant. The development will have a resulting net increase in net carbon emissions. The cumulative effect of authorities preventing such unnecessary development across the country can have a real positive impact.</p> <p>As someone who regularly uses the public right of ways through the area to exercise a dog this proposal and the access by HGV's will not only cause inconvenience but will be a safety issue. The closure of the footpath 792-1 to me probably for the rest of my life for the purposes outlined in the proposal I strongly object too.</p> <p>Finally the proposal brings nothing of benefit to the local community or the natural environment. The proposed size and setting is out of keeping with the setting and goes against the Loxwood Neighbourhood plan or the Chichester District Local Plan re development in a rural area.</p>
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