

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Name	<input type="text" value="Anthony Forsyth"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="GENNETS FARM, BILLINGSHURST, RH14 0QN"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>The proposed development by LCP Ltd within Pallinghurst Woods is totally unacceptable on a number of levels.</p> <p>Situated between Loxwood Road to the south and Pigbush Lane to the north, Pallinghurst Woods is currently a relatively remote, tranquil area of ancient woodland, criss-crossed by footpaths and bridleways and enjoyed by many walkers, riders, cyclists, nature lovers etc. as well as being an invaluable wildlife habitat to many species.</p> <p>The proposed site is located 1.3 km deep within the ancient woodland and the plan envisages the movement of 200 tons of waste building materials and clay per day, necessitating up to 42 truck movements per day, of trucks of up to 38 tons. These figures of course do not include all the other truck and vehicle movements required to support a major industrial development in a remote woodland setting.</p> <p>In addition to destroying ancient woodland and habitats to gain access to and extract brickmaking clay (for which WSCC Minerals Monitoring Report states there is no demand for additional capacity), LCP Ltd also propose to construct a 15,000 sq ft waste recycling plant on this pristine greenfield site, which not only flies in the face of National policy, but caters for a need that is already satisfied by more suitable, established locations. If the implications weren't so serious it would be laughable!</p> <p>The combination of multiple lorry movements, digging and waste recycling machinery, diesel generators etc. will destroy the tranquillity of this woodland for at least 33 years and must be a major threat to the ecology of the area.</p> <p>Road safety is another major consideration. As a regular cyclist on the roads and bridleways within a 10 mile radius of Loxwood, I am only too well aware of the current very real dangers to cyclists on our extremely poorly maintained B roads and minor roads. Potholes take months to be repaired, invariably on a piecemeal approach, which serves very little purpose. The thought of a c300% increase in HGV activity along Loxwood Road is quite terrifying and without a shadow of doubt, a fatal accident waiting to happen! As for horse riders, Loxwood Road will simply become a no go area, therefore limiting access to several nearby bridleways.</p> <p>WSCC should do what is right for the local community, the environment and road safety and dismiss this very unwelcome proposal.</p>
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