Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number Name

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

As well as the substantial damage to the natural environment locally that this development represents, as residents adjacent to the Loxwood Road, we are seriously concerned about the potential significant increase in traffic volumes from large HGV vehicles moving to and from the site.. Loxwood Road, a restricted carriageway, is already experiencing vehicles moving at speeds well beyond the designated speed limits, presenting danger to pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders. We are situated up a driveway on the blind bend which makes entry and exiting difficult already. Many properties down the Loxwood Road have blind driveways with residents entering and exiting. Navigating onto this road with oncoming HGV's will significantly increase the danger to us as residents. With more than 40 HGV lorry movements anticipated this is a huge increase in the risk to road safety on an unsuitable road. The school bus from the Weald also stops at a number of locations along this road, in a far from ideal situation, where the pupils have to cross this road in order to reach the pavement. We have already endured and witnessed over the years ,the impact of high levels of HGV movements in our vicinity from the former brickworks work site in Lynwick Street, causing enormous damage to the road and the bridge and again posing danger to other road users, in particular for the growing number of cyclists who are using our local area. It seems very unjust that as a local community we should be expected to suffer again, a further 33 years of disruption. Pallinghurst Woods are a significant local amenity, much loved and used by our community - there can be no justification for the decimation of this site for clay production when WSCC already have more than 25 years of clay reserves. This is a designated greenfield site and as such should be protected, the natural environment and the wildlife in our area is already under enormous pressure from the unprecedented demand for housing developments and this application is not in line with either the Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan or the Chichester District Local Plan and as such should be refused.

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