

# Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number	WSCC/030/21
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Type of Comment	Objection
Comments	<p>This objection to the planning application above is based on numerous factors listed below. My wife and our young twins moved to Loxwood village June 2010 after being attracted by a more rural, safe environment and to be close to the children's Grandparents who reside Rudgwick and the Haven, Bucks Green.</p> <p>The development does not confirm to the Chichester District Local Plan for development of rural areas.</p> <p>The development plans are ambiguous to say the least. The surrounding infrastructure is not suitable for such a development, it will not enhance the area or offer economic benefit (other than that to the landowners) and on a wider scale there is no shortage of clay (provisions for next 25 years in place)</p> <p>There is no benefit for future generations - "Strong, vibrant and healthy communities" are not created or maintained by "developing" or destroying ancient or beautiful popular woodlands</p> <p>Local recycling facilities are adequate and this proposal is not in line with a strategy of education, household waste minimization or acceptable percentages for the recycling of household waste</p> <p>The environmental impact:</p> <p>The development proposal lacks detail associated with protecting the habitat of rare species of Bats, the impact on deer, badger sets and designated ancient woodlands. All will be seriously impacted, if not destroyed.</p> <p>According to Southern Water, the Government and other agencies the South East is classed as an area of serious water stress. The necessity for further housing is emotive but arguably necessary. This development is not.</p> <p>The area is utilised by walkers, cyclists and horse riders. It is tranquil and remote. Light pollution, noise, noise disturbance, pollutants will all have a serious impact on the area not to mention mental health and wellbeing; two subjects that are very relevant in today's world.</p> <p>Highway Safety</p> <p>The Loxwood Road to the A281 is narrow in parts 5.1m, not maintained to an acceptable standard and has numerous concealed entrances and blind bends. A 300% increase in HGV's presents a very real danger to walkers and horse riders (who use this road, cross the roads to access the a joining footpath and bridleway networks) and cyclists.</p> <p>At this time there seems to be an unclear how the footpaths in the immediate vicinity of the 1.3 km access road to the development will be changed to ensure the safety of the community who walk and enjoy the area. The provisions to protect the walkers and dogs, not on leads, from the constant stream of HGV's is inadequate and unacceptable.</p> <p>In summary I strongly object to this planning application. There is no demand for clay or the need for further recycling plants of this nature. There is no justification for such a facility on such an unsuitable site. 15,000 square foot buildings in woodlands of such natural beauty has an irreversible environmental impact, closes footpaths, implements lengthy diversions and HGV's create severe risk and very present danger. My children use the roads, the footpaths and the Bridleways on a regular basis for pleasure and to visit Grandparents in adjoining villages. The huge increase in HGV's using an unsuitable infrastructure is nothing short of terrifying. No one ever ever wants that knock on the door.</p>
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