

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number	<input type="text" value="WSCC/030/21"/>
Name	<input type="text" value="Abby Lebus"/>
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Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>I object to this application for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. As an individual who lives with on-going eating disorders and anxiety, the tranquil setting of the countryside has significantly helped aid my recovery. The benefits of nature on mental health have been made clear, including "improvements in affect, cognition, restoration, and well-being, and decreases in anxiety and depression symptoms" (Lackey et al., 2021). Going ahead with this application diminishes such benefits, as a result of the deforestation, noise and dust pollution, and consistent traffic from the lorries involved. I fear for my mental health and the mental health of my community. Therefore, I object to the planning application WSCC/030/21.2. Loxwood is renowned for its readily available and vast selection of footpaths and bridleways. This application proposes not only the closure of footpaths, but the interception of them too as a result of the mass of HGVs entering the forest each day. My 15-year-old sister rides her horse along such bridle paths on her own, daily. The unpredictable nature of all horses and the sensitive characteristic of her horse alone puts her and her horse at risk of serious injury, or worse. This is as a result of the movement of large lorries and process of deforestation. Understandably, I fear for my sister's safety. Additionally, the local community use these footpaths for daily exercise, and dog-walking. Again, the safety of the animals and individuals themselves is compromised. Therefore, I object to the planning application WSCC/030/21.3. It has been made clear that climate change, contributing to global warming, has reached "red alert" around the world, encouraging a mass environmental change to prevent or revert such devastating outcomes. With our Prime Minister calling for urgent steps to reduce and diminish emissions, surely going ahead with this application is opposing exactly that? It has been confirmed that "the impacts of climate change are already affecting lives and livelihoods around the world, with increasing frequency and severity", and consequently the "need to drive down emissions" should be one of the top priorities to those fortunate enough to have that decision (Anne-Marie Trevelyn; UK International Champion for adaptation and resilience, 2021). Therefore, I object to the planning application WSCC/030/21.
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