

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Name	<input type="text" value="Charles Harrison"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="PALLINGHURST FARM, GUILDFORD ROAD, GUILDFORD ROAD, HORSHAM, RH12 3BQ"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>As one of the partners who owns the access track and surrounding grazing fields, of Brickkiln Farm and Barnsfold Farm, to the proposed development and a partner in the much cited Rudgwick Brickworks site, I wholeheartedly object to this application on a number of points.</p> <p>The fields above and below the track in question have been used for the last 50 years in the grazing of our 350 head of youngstock (cattle aged between 7 and 23 months). The corral on the track has been vital in holding the cattle for worming and health checking. One of the main benefits of these fields is the lack of disturbance allowing them to graze and grow in an ideal environment. The link between the two fields, across the track using wire gates is vital and under veterinary advice to allow freedom of movement for them to graze optimally to gain adequate live weight. To accommodate the increased use of this public right of way over COVID we have installed footpath gates.</p> <p>Increased use of this track from the existing 5-6 forestry movements per year to 40 movements per day will massively impact not only the public but also the welfare of my animals through noise, dust, disruption to there access to grazing, the danger of lorry drivers leaving gates open allowing cattle to escape onto the road, rubbish from lorries and the site blowing into our fields and being ingested by our cattle causing death.</p> <p>We are seeking legal counsel over the applicants rights to use our track in the manner he wishes to. The permission was only granted for the occasional use of timber extraction once or twice a year not a constant, over burdening thoroughfare disturbing our business and the public. What is a reasonable level of traffic over ones property? This is definitely excessive and unreasonable.</p> <p>As a partner in the Rudgwick Brickworks site and its quarry's restoration back to agricultural land, I am disturbed by the applicants citation of the Rudgwick site. When we were applying for permission to restore the quarry to farmland, we had to prove unequivocally there was no local need for clay for the foreseeable future. The smokescreen of clay extraction to enable an industrial recycling centre on a green field site is an absolute farce and is preying on a loophole in the planning system.</p> <p>I am also disturbed by the aggressive and bullying tactics used by the applicant and his minions, a far cry from the mutual respect and congeniality afforded by his father, with whom we had a good relationship.</p> <p>The increased HGV traffic on these rural roads, dangerous queuing by the access layby, impact of this development on the wooded environment and its tranquility are reason enough for this application and its subsequent appeal to be rejected. We will fight any request of wayleave across our land for power or water to the site. There are many local brownfield sites ideal for this application, with an infrastructure to suit. I urge the Council to reject this application and any subsequent appeals.</p> <p>Yours faithfully, Charles Harrison Partner R.Harrison & Sons Pallinghurst Farm Rudgwick, West Sussex, RH12 3BQ.</p>
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