

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>I strongly object to this planning application on the following grounds:</p> <p>TRAFFIC/HIGHWAYS: The local roads to access and egress the proposed site are unsuitable for the proposed increase in HGV road traffic. At its narrowest, the Loxwood Road is only 5.1metres wide and therefore not sufficient to allow the safe passing HGV's in most locations. The Loxwood Road is a regular and recognised route for horse riders and cyclist throughout the year. The HGV's will present a severe risk to their wellbeing and increase the likelihood of potentially life-threatening accidents or serious injury .</p> <p>The proposed access/egress point within the lay-by area is currently heavily used by the general public. The mixture of HGV's entering and leaving the site within the public parking will again present a greater risk to those using the woods for dog walking or similar. This will present a significant risk to families with children intending to enjoy a woodland walk.</p> <p>ENVIRONMENT: The woodland setting with its mature trees are a haven for many wildlife species including those protected by law such as Bats, Great Crested Newts, Slow Worms and Door Mice. Amongst the Bats identified on the site there are four threatened species, for example the Barbaselle bat which is a European Protected Species. This development will have a negative impact on their habitat.</p> <p>There will be a sinificant net carbon increase from the burning of fossil fuels and removal of the tree canopy as consequence of the felling of the mature trees. This goes against the current WSCC Biodiversity action plan.</p> <p>The increase in traffic movements will have a severe impact on the local villages and hamlets of Loxwood, Wisborough Green, Rudgwick, Tismans Common and Bucks Green causing an increase in environmental pollution due to noise , dust and light.</p> <p>WASTE SITE: This location is a greenfield site, national policy is for waste sites to be located in built-up areas or brownfield sites. Additionally, there is existing established locations of construction and demolition waste sites within West Sussex. The facility intends to recycle only 50% of the waste brought to the site which falls below accepted industry standards, that said, an increase would only place an additional increase in HGV movements. The potential for the transfer of contaminants from the construction waste into the woodland will be increased, again increasing the impact on the wildlife species.</p> <p>The construction of the 15000sqft building and excavating activities will have a major visual impact within such a tranquil landscape. It should be noted that there is no other buildings in the area. Simply put, this application is not sensitive to its setting in terms of size, bulk and environment and does not enhance or protect the rural character of the area.</p> <p>Given the above I would request that this application is NOT granted permission and the public from across Sussex can continue to enjoy a very special tranquil woodland location.</p>
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