

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Name	<input type="text" value="Heather Bridges"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="WOES HOUSE, CHURCH STREET, CHURCH STREET, HORSHAM, RH12 3EA"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>I strongly object to this application for the following reasons.</p> <p>The West Sussex County Council monitoring report states there is no demand for additional brick making clay as there are sufficient supplies for the next 25 years.</p> <p>It's both uneconomic and environmentally damaging to transport clay over any distance as would be the case here.</p> <p>There is more than enough capacity for construction and demolition waste in West Sussex at locations that are already established and far more suitable. Notwithstanding that, national policy requires that waste sites should be situated in built-up areas or brownfield sites. Clearly the proposed site is neither of these.</p> <p>The proposal does not conform to the Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan or the Chichester District Local Plan for development in a rural area.</p> <p>The impact on the natural environment would be catastrophic. The abundance of wildlife (including protected species) would be driven from their habitat. It would create light pollution where currently there is none. This remote and tranquil location will become an area filled with the highly intrusive sound of diesel generators, tracked vehicles, excavators, HGV's and skip lorries, which in turn, will be spewing out pollutants, dust and fumes.</p> <p>There will be the loss of a public amenity by the taking away of parking in the lay-by. Public rights of way will be compromised and public safety put at risk. Existing Public footpaths (used and enjoyed by so many) will be redirected for the next 33 years!</p> <p>There is the potential for damage to listed buildings from HGV lorry movement along the proposed route.</p> <p>Most alarmingly, are the severe safety risks associated with the increased HGV traffic volumes along the Loxwood Road and the impact to the surrounding villages and hamlets of Bucks Green, Loxwood, Rudgwick and Tismans Common.</p> <p>The proposed site access arrangements are certainly not 'safe and suitable'. There will be conflict between private motorists and HGV'S entering and exiting the site culminating in severe safety risks for both road users and pedestrians.</p> <p>There will be a huge impact on safety along Loxwood Road with a significant increase in HGV's laden with heavy wet clay on an undulating road not fit for this purpose. This road is just 5.5m along the majority of its length reducing to only 5.1m wide at its narrowest!</p> <p>It should also be noted that during the late afternoon in the winter months, there can be two blind spots caused by low sun. These are when travelling south towards Loxwood on the bends situated at St John's Church and the Mucky Duck. They are dangerous at the best of times and certainly not good news if one or potentially both vehicles meeting there is an HGV.</p> <p>This application not in the public's interest and appears to be made purely for profit making with a blatant disregard for public safety and the environment.</p>
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