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Elizabeth Morris

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Objection

I strongly object to this application on several grounds.

Pallinghurst Woods is a greenfield site and the environmental damage caused by this proposal would be catastrophic resulting in irreplaceable loss of wildlife habitats and species. It is a delicate ecosystem of an established ancient woodland and mixed broadleaf woodland that has developed over many, many years. This woodland is of both local and national importance; the ancient woodland on the site and the associated flora and fauna should be protected for future generations. The plan does not protect the environment it destroys it.

I have been enjoying and benefitting from these beautiful woods improving both my mental and physical health for the past 17 years. This will be stripped from the local community; the benefits of well-being will be replaced with noise and air pollution and the release of carbon which is currently locked within the trees.

I regularly drive and cycle with my family along Loxwood Road. As well as it being narrow it has poor visibility in many places; it just isn't suitable for HGV's using the road and passing safely with other road users. People's safety whilst using the footpaths through the woodland with HGV's also sharing the narrow track ways is also of great concern.

Trees are a precious natural asset and as a natural carbon sink are vital part of the fight against climate change. The Government have The England Trees Action Plan to increase tree planting and create new woodland, we shouldn't be destroying what is already there. With current climate change crisis, our planet is in a fragile state. It is no time for habitat and biodiversity loss.

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