## Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number Name Address

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

I strongly object to this planning application.

The area selected is a completely rural, greenfield site. In addition it is an area of woodland, home to a wide range of flora and fauna. We regularly see a wide range of animals, including deer, bats and evidence of badgers plus a wide variety of birds. The area is enjoyed by a diverse range of people too. It's an area where the local teenagers can exercise safely, away from traffic. Many use the area to improve their fitness levels. The peace and quiet in such a lovely area also helps smooth away the stresses and strains of everyday life, improving people's mental well-being. The sounds of a quarry and waste plant, plus all the lorry movements running alongside and across rights of way which have been used for decades, if not centuries, would have the opposite effect. In addition to the noise, the dust and pollution will also directly affect people's physical health, especially at the nearby Rikkyo School.

The location is completely unsuitable for this kind of activity and against national policy for waste sites. The site also fails to fall within the recommended distance from the Lorry Route network, with the route of this network being along very small minor roads and tracks unsuitable for these HGVs. These roads are regularly used by horse riders and cyclists who already feel vulnerable with the current cars on the roads due to high banks and hedges, blind bends and the narrow roads. The large numbers of trucks regularly using these narrow roads will create a huge risk to people's personal safety. It will undoubtably also contribute to fewer people wishing to cycle due to safety concerns and thus more taking to their cars, along with the additional staff car traffic to the site. All increasing levels of pollution in the area whilst removing the trees which help to reduce it. The junction at Barns Green is also unsuitable for regular use by these HGVs. Additional use of the A281 for these lorries would also have a detrimental impact on the lives of those living in Shalford and Bramley where the road is unsuitable for large vehicles and there is already heavy congestion at peak times.

The location is also unsuitable for development of a 15,000sq ft building. There are no other buildings in the woodland and the destruction of trees and erection of the quarry would have a major detrimental impact on the beauty, peace and quiet of the area. It will also cause light pollution in a dark sky area. This will not enhance the area in any way.

It seems inconceivable that anyone would wish to destroy the habitat of so many creatures in an area of woodland in the middle of a rural setting for a product which, according to the latest WSCC Minerals Monitoring Report, is in plentiful supply, and then fill it with waste. This is the obvious kind of operation to be built on brownfield sites or empty fields near dual carriageways. Please don't allow the destruction of such a well loved area of our countryside and the resulting negative impact on the mental and physical health of those living in the area.

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