

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number	<input type="text" value="WSCC/030/21"/>
Name	<input type="text" value="Alan Turner"/>
Address	<input type="text" value="CHAPEL CORNER, SPY LANE, SPY LANE, BILLINGSHURST, RH14 0SQ"/>
Type of Comment	<input type="text" value="Objection"/>
Comments	<p>I have walked in the woods on a daily basis for the past 20 years with my wife and kids and with our dogs. This thinly disguised landfill development will destroy the local environment and I strongly object to this planning application for several reasons. The most significant impact will be the noise and pollution that is created together with the disruption to the community's access to public rights of way. There will be a massive loss of wildlife, including insects, as the trees and natural land are destroyed. This represents an unacceptable impact on a public amenity and the enjoyment of this rural tranquil area as the development area is surrounded on all sides by close proximity of public rights of way which are in regular use; the associated noise, dust and infrastructure that needs to be built are detrimental to the enjoyment of a tranquil wooded area.</p> <p>We already have huge drainage/flooding problems in Loxwood and this proposed development would further erode the natural water courses to the detriment of all the surrounding land. The high level of HGV traffic represents an unacceptable impact on public safety and amenity along the length of the route. The access routes planned onto the major highways are via a restricted width (C classified) road, routed towards the villages of Bucks Green (east) and Loxwood (west) with road widths in both directions subject to numerous pinch points which are unable to accommodate more than a single passing HGV simultaneously. Loxwood School drop off points on Station Road also add to this safety concern, as does the popularity of cyclists and walkers frequently using this narrow road.</p> <p>The proposed development site is a greenfield site whereas National policy states that waste sites should be sited in built-up areas or brownfield sites. The actual driving distance from layby site access point to the Lorry Route network (on A281), is 3.25 km. This exceeds the recommended distance. There is a further 1.3km to reach the site from the lay-by access on woodland tracks. Thus the total distance from site to the LRN is 4.55km, mostly along an unsuitable, minor road. The application includes a 15,000 sq ft building amid pristine woodlands. The ancillary building and quarrying operation would have a significant visual impact in the landscape. There are no other buildings within the woodland. The proposed development would result in unacceptable conflicts/impacts with adjacent and established farming activity. I also understand that there is no actual need for additional clay resources so the applicant's main argument for destroying an area of natural beauty is plainly wrong and not one of need but of profit from waste recycling and landfill.</p> <p>There is no demand for this development, it destroys nature and reduces the welfare of local wildlife, residents, the wider community and visitors, so therefore the application should be rejected.</p>
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