Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

I wish to state my objection to the application on a number of grounds:

Location: this a greenfield site. National policy states that waste sites should be sited in built up areas or brownfield sites. This site is neither. Further, from the A281, which is the access point to the lorry Route Network the distance i 4.55 km. This would be on minor roads unsuited to the type and volume of traffic as well as along woodland tracks which are equally unsuitable.

Traffic: the increased HGV traffic will have a detrimental impact on the local settlements of Rudgwick, Tismans Common and Bucks Green. Likewise this increase in traffic would pose a serious risk to existing road users not least of which would be pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders all of whom can be seen regularly using this route. Highway safety would also be an issue given the width of the road which is generally 5.5m wide but narrows to 5.1m wide in places. Similarly highway safety would be compromised as HGVs enter and exit the Loxwood Road at Bucks Green. The increased traffic and nature of it can be reasonably expected to cause damage to listed buildings.

Demand for Clay: The latest WSCC minerals monitoring report has demonstrated that there is no requirement for additional brick making clay. As clay extraction is typically adjacent to brick making factories this application is both environmentally and economically unsound.

Loss of Amenity: given the prevailing wind is from the south west, the 300 staff and students at Rikkyo school (less than 1 km away from proposed site) can expect a large amount of dust and noise from the site. The proposed closure of footpath 792-1 is described as temporary but would in fact be for 33 years. Further, HGVs would run on, by and across established and regularly used rights of way. A serious safety concern would arise from this.

I urge WSCC, in the strongest of terms, to reject this application

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