Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number Name

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

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I have lived in Loxwood and walked through these beautiful and tranquil woods for over 17 years. There is overwhelming opposition to this planning application, not just from myself and other Loxwood residents, but also from the neighbouring communities that will also be negatively affected. I would politely ask that their many voices be heard and urge the panel to refuse this application.

Environmental Impact

The noise, light and fume pollution created both at the site and by the HGV lorry movements would be devastating to what is currently a remote, beautiful and tranquil setting and would render the surrounding PROW unusable. This will impact greatly on resident's wellbeing and mental health. The site features mature trees, 8c hectares of which are due to be felled thus threatening local wildlife including four rare bat species.

The aesthetics of the woodland would be destroyed by a 15,000 sq ft building and there is no precedent for this.

The closure of footpath 792-1 is of significant loss however realistically the fact that the site access for HGVs will run alongside PROW will effectively render this local amenity unusable.

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Development Plan

The proposal does not conform with either the Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan or the Chichester District Local plan for development in a rural area. It is not sensitive to the setting, nor does it offer any benefit to the local community, only destruction; intact it will do the opposite go enhancing or protecting the character of the area.

Traffic and Safety

Access to the site utilises an unsuitable minor road used by cyclists, horse riders, cars, and walkers. The addition of high-volume HGVs would create significant safety concerns for these users. The increase in congestion will impact local villages and there are significant safety issues from HGVs entering and exiting the Loxwood Road/A281 junction at Bucks Green, the site itself and movement along the narrow minor roads.

I hope that these points, and those raised by many others, make it clear how unwelcome and unsuitable this application is. The application should be refused and I am totally opposed to it.

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Attachments