Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number Name

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

I object to the proposal on the grounds that it is a wholly unsuitable site for the intended process. Environmental impact both locally on wildlife and amenity, as well as further afield on the residents of Loxwood, Alfold and the surrounding area will be severe.

Local access to the site crosses footpaths and a bridle way, putting heavy vehicles in close proximity to walkers with dogs, children, and horse riders. This would lead to an unacceptable risk of an incident resulting in injury or loss of life. The proposal to re route / close the footpath 792-1 should be dismissed.

Road access is via a very narrow and twisting route. Many points are so narrow that cars are only just able to pass one another with great care. Several of these points have blind approaches. Having used this road to commute twice a day for 15 years, I can assure you it is not suitable for the intended volume of HGVs. The road between Bucks Green and Loxwood is used by pedestrians, runners, cyclists both leisure and commuter, and has regular equestrian traffic due to the bridleways along its length. The high volume of HGVs on this route will in my opinion, unacceptably increase the likelihood of a fatality.

Wear and tear / highway damage will increase, and necessitate costly and regular maintenance. Referencing the WSCC minerals monitoring report, I understand that there is no shortage of clay for brick making, and WSCC have concluded reserves stand at in excess of 25 years. It would be good to see WSCC encouraging the use of new materials and technology in construction, and consigning outdated ones such as brick and tile to history.

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