Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number	WSCC/030/21		
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Address	ROMAN WAY, 39, ROMAN WAY, BILLINGSHURST, RH14 9QU		
Type of Comment	Objection		
Comments	Having walked, cycled, ran and horse ridden through these woods for my entire life I do not see how it is possible to destroy such a beautiful area in this way. There are so many ancient trees, rare species of wild flowers and animal species, including bats you would be literally killing them by removing their habitat. There is also no sufficient infrastructure for such traffic movements. The proposed route is used by many cyclists, walkers and horse riders as a way of connecting bridleways and footpaths, it is not the place for hundreds of HGVs, I can assure you it is busy enough. In places there is only space for the width of one HGV, what happens when two meet? Or they meet a child riding a pony with their parent? Are WSCC going to be responsible when a serious RTC happens, as there have already been serious RTCs on Loxwood Road within the last year, without the proposed increase of traffic. As an endurance horse rider, competing for Team GB I need to get my horses fit and this area has always been perfect to do so. But this planning would completely stop access to over 50% of my training ground. I can also say I would love to keep off the roads, I think that goes the same for all horse riders out there, but the bridleway network is not sufficient for us to do this, so forcing us to the roads where there's hundreds of HGV movements just isn't safe. So we are then either forced not to ride out, which is not fair for animal welfare purposes or forced out of the area I have lived my whole life.		
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