

Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

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| Application number | WSCC/030/21 |
| Name | Amelia L G Ward |
| Address | THE RED HOUSE, LOXWOOD ROAD, LOXWOOD ROAD, HORSHAM, RH12 3DR |
| Type of Comment | Objection |
| Comments | <p>I oppose this application as it will negatively impact my horse riding. I exercise my five horses daily along the Loxwood Road. They are good in traffic but the 300% increase in HGVs would have a detrimental effect on even the most bombproof of them. The fact that the traffic will be constant, on average every 15mins for up to 6 days a week, will sensitise them to such vehicles. This will result in the vehicles not being able to pass without stopping & needing to switch off the engine (the vehicles used to fill in the brickworks in Lynwick Street have been doing this). It will also mean the horses will become sensitised to smaller vehicles which creates a huge safety issue for horses, rider, pedestrians & drivers. It will not be safe to hack from Loxwood Road where I live to local bridleways.</p> <p>The bridleway at the Pephurst Woods layby will become unusable to riders due to the close proximity of the HGV's & wheel wash to that bridleway. The proposed route for the HGVs crosses the bridleway & PROW with no provision for how it is to be made safe for the general public.</p> <p>Loxwood Road is a winding, country road at 5.1-5.5m wide & the Highways report states that the lorries will be up to 2.495m wide. Therefore, in some cases there will be just 10cm between lorries & yet Protreat stated that the road was "wide enough to pass at speed". That cannot be so, neither can it be safe for other users of the road.</p> <p>The flora & fauna in the woods will suffer greatly due to the disturbance, noise pollution, dust etc. There are active badger setts & bats in close proximity to some of the proposed action sites. Even the developers' flora and fauna survey states the existence of many important species of bird, butterflies, invertebrates & plants in the woodlands which would not withstand the constant intrusions from this development. Also, both Loxwood Neighbourhood Plan and Chichester District Local Plan have policies which do not allow development of this size, bulk and sensitivity in a rural area.</p> <p>I understand that there is not the requirement for additional clay extraction in this area since there is enough clay for 25 years therefore negating the need for more. Without the clay extraction, siting a CMRF in this woodlands goes against all protocols.</p> <p>This application is wrong on all accounts.</p> |
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