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Subject: Objection to application number: WSCC/030/21 [REDACTED]
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I wish to object to the Loxwood Clay Pits Ltd planning application number WSCC/030/21 on the following grounds;

1. There is no demand for additional brick-making clay. WSCC have more than 25 years of reserves. It may be that Pitsham brickworks do not have 25 year's supply on site but it does not use Weald clay, the kind of clay on this site.
 2. The site is unsuitable for the proposed activities. This is a greenfield site and national policy states that waste sites should be located in built-up areas or brownfield sites. The application includes a 15,000 sq ft building amid pristine woodlands. The ancillary building and quarrying operations would have a detrimental visual impact on the landscape, which would be considerable. They would also conflict with adjacent and established farming activity.
 3. There is no justification for a waste site at this unsuitable location. West Sussex currently have sufficient capacity for construction and demolition waste in established locations, which are far more suitable.
 4. Site access for HGVs would run on, alongside and across established public rights of way, which are routes regularly used by members of the public. This would give rise to severe safety and health risks. The applicant's proposed closure of footpath 792-1 (Northern Boundary) would be completely unacceptable. The proposal would involve a significant diversion at great inconvenience to users. Although cited as "temporary" the closure would last for 33 years.
 5. The proposed development would have a severe impact on the tranquility of the area. At present the location is remote and tranquil with very low background noise and no light pollution. If the development goes ahead lighting would be required in the recycling and waste management building as well as the office building, car park and wheel wash area. Light pollution would be created in an area where there is currently none. Diesel generators, creating pollution and noise would be required for onsite power for an unspecified period of time. Birdsong would be replaced by highly intrusive noise caused by tracked vehicles and excavators. HGV movements, skip lorries and the wheel wash facility would also create significant noise disturbance.
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