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Dear Team,

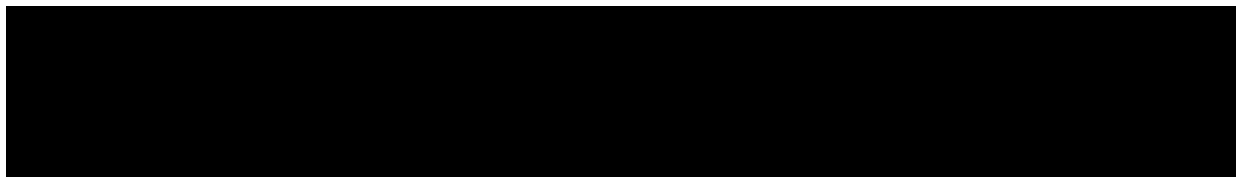
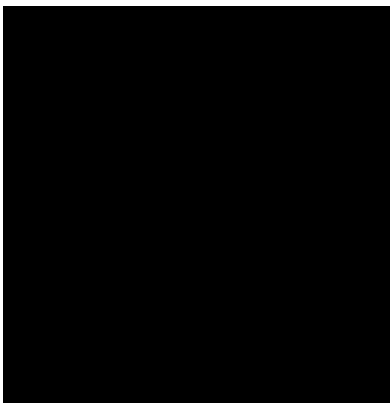
I object to this application on the following principal grounds:

This is an unsuitable location for a waste site. National policy states that waste sites should be in built-up areas or brownfield sites.

The proposed development would have a highly detrimental effect on this precious woodland environment some of which is a remnant of the ancient forest. I own similar woodland to the south of the proposed development site on the east side of Drungewick Lane which is rich in rare and endangered species including **nightingales, barbestelle bats** and **badger setts** as well as various species of **orchids** and the **brown hare streak butterflies** which are prioritised by Natural England for conservation.

I believe it is now generally accepted that such endangered species will only survive and thrive if '**wildlife corridors**' are maintained to connect up the individual habitats. Much publicity has been given to the work done at the nearby Knepp Estate and the owners of Knepp have been very clear that the wildlife gains they have achieved can only be maintained if wildlife corridors are maintained and not subject to damaging and inappropriate development. We now have a number of nightingales visiting our woodlands every summer. This is a recent phenomenon and probably a direct result of the existence of wildlife corridors in the areas surrounding us.

The nature and scale of the proposed development would thus potentially have a serious deleterious environmental impact not just within the development site but spreading out beyond and causing completely unacceptable species loss that we cannot afford in West Sussex.



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