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To: PL Planning Applications
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As a resident in Loxwood I write to object to the above application for the following main reasons, however the points are not exhaustive.

The detrimental impact of the proposed pit and recycling facility will have on the surrounding area will be catastrophic. The road infrastructure is not suitable for the vehicular impact. The woodland area is a cherished environment, which allows for nature & locals to enjoy on a daily basis. Countryside with protected mammals & wildlife & forestry must be saved.
The climate too will be seriously impacted- in a crucial time when we are learning of our consequences for all the changes & developments gone before; all too late but not too late to start doing things differently & that means putting the natural environment first -
Do we really need to be disturbing beauty for financial benefits?
Extraction, transportation & processing etc will affect the climate, the road infrastructure, the natural environment & the overall outlook. The site will be unrecognisable & completely a commercial plant, at the expense of natural beauty and protected species.
Loxwood Road & Station Road is not suitable for additional traffic especially heavy goods vehicles & plant machinery being transported. The dust and debris churned along the roadside evasive for the environment. The area currently exudes fresh Green air which allows such nature to flourish, the residue from HGVs will impact.
The impact of such traffic on local residents' & residential properties will be enormous.
Highway safety will be of grave concern, there are no pavements for access to the local footpaths and bridleways which are frequently used and enjoyed by communities and walking/riding groups, their safety will be of great risk with the increased generation of vehicles, particularly the HGVs.
Light into properties will be affected, & privacy to local residents compromised.
The design/access is not conducive, using the Loxwood Road which is actually a Lane, narrow in parts, and already with safety issues. To allow for such significant changes in terms of all things, highway, safety, noise, nature, wildlife, light loss, disturbance, odour & fumes, the characteristics will change in the long term from the proposed changes.

The woods are historical and have been an integral part of the local area, both in terms of walkers, local groups, and of course the growth of the plants, shrubs & trees and importantly the wildlife in terms of insects and mammals many of which are rare and decline of such protected to avoid wipe-out - Adder, hedgehogs, natter Jack toads, owls, kites & hawks to name a few.
The hedgerows are managed to the natural timetable for nesting and breeding birds & insects, so the repercussions of disturbance will again be detrimental.
We are as a country/ world, on a campaign mission to plant more tress and protect those in place; trees are the lungs of our world.
For clay to be exuded for the purpose of making bricks is not suitable as there's little if any requirements for bricks, we are leading into making more sustainable building materials that have zero or little impact on the environment.
The noise pollution both in terms of extraction and vehicle use for the plant will have unwanted influence on other area.
We have grazing livestock in all the surrounding countryside & fields, local farmers & produce making serving the county, which is part of country life. An excavation site is wholly inappropriate at the proposed site.
There are adequate waste sites provided by the local authorities.
In our opinion the proposed change of use of land is completely inappropriate for all the reasons mentioned and more.
Please acknowledge receipt.
Best wishes,
Lorraine

Loxwood Road resident

Sent from my iPad