Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number	WSCC/030/21	
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Type of Comment	Objection	
Comments	I would like to register a second objection to the proposed development of a clay quarry pit and construction materials and waste recycling facility (CMRF) as per application WSCC/030/21. My initial comments still stand. Further information submitted by LCP does not materially address the original concerns. There continues to be neither a demonstrated demand for additional Weald clay nor a local plant to process it; and the traffic, safety and pollution concerns of HGV haulage to and from both this site and the accompanying proposed CMRF site are not acknowledged as legitimate community concerns. Furthermore, impacts to biodiversity, climate change, conservation and water neutrality have been glossed over or, in the case of water stress, have not been addressed. Attempts by the applicant to mitigate the acknowledged biodiversity loss of the potential site show little regard for principles of ecology and ecological continuity. Potential habitat and wildlife corridors for such endangered species as dormice and Barbastelle bats would be lost. The physical area of the proposed development; a functioning and intact piece of woodland much appreciated by the community; would be lost. I note with astonishment both the applicant's criticism of WSCC's Waste and Minerals Policies to suit their own purpose, as well as the applicant's suggestion that only objections within a consultation area chosen by the applicant should be considered. Surely this constitutes a conflict of interest. This is an application and commercial proposal suited to a brown site in a built-up area, preferably near related industry sites to improve their synergy. It is a fundamentally flawed application for a woodland site in a rural community. As such, it should be refused.	
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