Comment for planning application WSCC/030/21

Application number Name

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Type of Comment Comments

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Objection

I have previously objected to the original application for this development and as far as I can see the recently submitted additional information makes no material difference to the proposed development which is totally inappropriate for its location.

This proposed development should be refused on the following grounds -

As set out in the WSCC Minerals Policy M5 there is no requirement for additional clay in West Sussex

As Set out in the WSCC Waste Policy there Is no requirement for additional Construction Recycling Capacity and even if there was such a requirement the proposed location of this development does not meet the criteria set out in the WSCC Waste Policy

The development would very significantly impact the public's use of several PROWs and the proposers mitigation measures would do very little to reduce that impact. Whilst in most cases the impact on PROWs is either visual or an inconvenience in one case where a PROW is along what will be the main access route to the site this would constitute a risk to life

The impact of the HGV traffic on both the woodland and the local roads - particularly Loxwood Road - is very significant and constitutes a safety risk to other road users. The number of daily HGV movements shown in the proposal is a minimum which will only be possible if the operation is run at 100% efficiency. In practice part loads and variable vehicle sizes will almost certainly mean that the actual number of daily vehicle movements would be much higher. There are numerous pinch points along Loxwood Road where two HGVs cannot safely pass each other and the junction of Loxwood Road with the A281 is already an accident black spot. In many cases it will not be possible for HGVs to comply with the new highway code in relation to safely passing pedestrians, horses and cyclists

From an ecological, environmental and biodiversity perspective the proposal fails on numerous counts. There will be a loss of a significant area of valuable woodland including ancient woodland at a time when public policy is to protect and expand woodland. There will be a net loss of biodiversity. The pollution created by this proposal is very significant and much of it will impact the hundreds of staff and pupils at a nearby school

The additional information provided by the applicant does little or nothing to address any of these issues. I therefore object in the strongest possible terms to this proposal and trust that WSCC will ensure that it is not given planning permission.

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