

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

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DATE:	16 February 2022
LOCATION:	Pallinghurst Woods, Loxwood Road, Loxwood, West Sussex RH14 0RW
SUBJECT:	WSCC/030/21 An application for planning permission for a clay quarry and construction materials recycling facility (CMRF) for CD&E wastes including the use of an existing access from Loxwood Road, the extraction and exportation of clay and restoration using suitable recovered materials from the CMRF to nature conservation interest including woodland, waterbodies and wetland habitats. Following the submission of this planning application to which an EIA applies, notice is hereby given that further information has been provided under the above provisions in respect of highways, flooding and drainage, air quality, and other consultation responses.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	
RECOMMENDATION:	More Information
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	n/a

The application is for the extraction of clay and construction material recycling facility at Pallinghurst Woods, Loxwood Road, Loxwood. Pre application discussions with the applicant took place in November 2020. Further information in the form of a highway report addendum has been provided.

Visibility

No updated information has been provided to reflect non adjusted speed surveys or a departure from standard applied for rather a restatement of case which is not accepted. As per my previous response:

ATCs have been undertaken to the east and west of the site access in June 2020 whilst this was during a Covid lockdown the use of the speed data is acceptable. The transport technical note has provided 85th% speeds based on a wet weather adjustment. As detailed within the pre application advice the wet weather adjustment should not be applied (in line with the requirements of CA 185) It is noted that the splays of 2.4m x

105m and 2.4m x 150m are achievable but would not meet DMRB requirements. No departure for standard has been applied for.

Designers Response

A designers response has been provided (dated 18th of March 2021) however is not in the requested GG119 Appendix F format
<https://www.standardsforhighways.co.uk/prod/attachments/710d4c33-0032-4dfb-8303-17aff1ce804b> and as such does not allow for agreed actions to be developed.

Whilst it is noted that the designer agrees with auditors suggested action on the five issues raised, I would raise concern about the recommended action of A.3.3 and the suitability of warning signs to reduce speeds to an acceptable level to provide sufficient forward visibility.

Staff Trip Information

No additional details have been provided however the planning statement indicates the site would generate 12 jobs.

Westbound HGC tracking or clarification on planning statement 4.3

It as been confirmed that all HGVs would be routed to and from the south-east to the junction of Loxwood Road with the A281 at Bucks Green. This

Details on layby parking, any restrictions proposed and HGV routing on exit.

A plan ref NJC-002 details the swept path of a HGV and details that it would not effect the existing parking provision. HGV routing on exit could be controlled within the HGV routing agreement.

Conclusion

Additional information is still required in the form of

- Revised visibility splays, should these not be achievable a departure from standard should be applied for.
- GG119 Appendix F compliant designers response (in word format)

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