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Dear Sir/Madam,

Consultation from West Sussex County Council

Application No: F/6/21/WS
Site Address: Ford Circular Technology Park Ford Road Ford BN18 0XL
Description of works: Demolition of existing buildings and structures and construction and operation of an energy recovery facility and a waste sorting and transfer facility for treatment of municipal, commercial and industrial waste, including ancillary buildings, structures, parking, hardstanding and landscape works.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 16th May 2021 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

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This project involves the building of a structure that will dwarf all others in the immediate area. It will be seen from miles around to truly be a blot on the landscape in the last undeveloped stretch of coast between Pagham in the west to beyond Brighton in the east.

Moreover, this is a polluting blot on the landscape. A truly vast amount of refuse is projected to be brought to the facility, stored and processed/burnt. The pollution of the fleet of heavy diesel lorries required (approx. one every 108 seconds) will be immense. Transport of refuse in such lorries leads to the shedding of a vast amount of litter. This is before we consider the pollution, smell and noise of the incinerator complex itself. This is heavy industry being imported into a rural area - it is difficult to think of how a greater impact could be made.

And then there are the people of the area. The current residents and businesses, and the proposed residents and businesses. A large number of houses are proposed for this area and they will be built in very close proximity to the incinerator. The mix of heavy industry and residential areas has never been shown to be a good idea for residents or for industry.

Finally, we look at the wider infrastructure required to serve this facility. In short there need to be suitable transport links to allow this vast fleet to flow in and out of the facility. The infrastructure is not there and it does not appear possible to put it in place. Lorries are proposed to flow from the A259 and up Church Lane.

The idea that this route can serve such a vast flow of additional traffic is impractical to the point of being fanciful.

Similarly fanciful is the idea that this facility contributes to the improvement of the wider environment. A recent 'Dispatches' documentary on Channel 4 concluded that "the total carbon emissions from incineration have now overtaken those from coal". DATA ERROR!!!

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

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Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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