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Subject: Case number: SCC004523SE - Spring Grove Farm Anaerobic digester plant

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Dear Mr.Rutter

I OBJECT to this application on the basis of road safety.

The main road (A1307)already has a huge number of vehicles on it, many of which are heavy goods vehicles.

This road is also designated as a road with safety issues on it, and the potential arrival of an anaerobic digester plant will inevitably add to this number, especially during the building process. It would therefore make the road far less safe for other users with large lorries turning in and out. The idea of lorries containing methane gas going out on to this already unsafe road seems potentially lethal on a site that is not very far from office buildings, houses and one of the larger towns of Suffolk.

I understand that any vehicle taking the agricultural waste to the proposed site would enter from Silver Street in Withersfield. The roads leading to this entry site are all small country lanes with just about space for cars to pass. These roads are already broken on the edges with too much use from heavy goods vehicles and a large increase in HGV use would add to the deterioration of these country lanes in and out of Withersfield. I write this as a resident of Withersfield who has driven down these roads and already had difficulties with passing large vehicles coming the other way. It simply is not safe at present and to add to the number of large vehicles using these lanes seems potentially to be asking for trouble. More large vehicles will break up the edges of the roads even more. There are very few (if any) places where two large vehicles going in opposite directions could pass on Silver street or the other roads leading to the entrance to this proposed site. It would also almost prevent the use of these country lanes for pedestrian use.

In case it is relevant I live at Hill Barn, Turnpike Hill, Withersfield, CB9 7RY.

Yours faithfully

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