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To: SCC Planning Mailbox
Subject: Re: Planning Application Re-Consultation SCC/0045/23SE - Land to the north of Spring Grove Farm, Withersfield

Dear Team,

I would like to formally note my objections to the below planning proposal for the following reasons

- Higher traffic influx causing significant more air pollution than there already is
- Due to higher congestion emergency vehicles will struggle to attend to life threatening emergencies
- Odour Problems: Anaerobic digesters, especially if not properly managed, can emit unpleasant smells from the breakdown of organic waste. This could disturb residents and workers, leading to complaints and potential health concerns.
- Noise Pollution: The process of running an anaerobic digester involves machinery and sometimes gas flaring, which can generate significant noise. This may affect the peace and quiet of residential areas and could be disruptive for nearby businesses.
- Disruption to local wildlife habitats, as per new government plans they are looking to increase woodland areas for wildlife to reside. This would be a huge loss and have detrimental impacts
- Air Quality: If the digester isn't operating efficiently, there is a potential for the release of gases like methane, which could impact local air quality and contribute to greenhouse gas emissions, even if they are captured and used for energy.
- Health and Safety Risks: The process of anaerobic digestion involves handling large amounts of waste and biogas, which can be hazardous if not carefully managed. Risks include gas leaks, fire hazards, or accidental exposure to pathogens, which could present safety risks to nearby populations.
- Environmental Concerns: If the site isn't well-maintained, there could be risks of leaks or contamination of nearby land or water sources, particularly if waste materials are handled improperly.

Additionally on another note, numerous colleagues are discussing this at the main hospital who use the A1307 to get to work. They have all mentioned looking for a new place of work if this new plant is approved. This therefore puts patients at risk if potentially 100's of people cease to work at an organisation for this reasoning.

Kind Regards

Molly