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The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/C1435/W/23/3321978

DETAILS OF THE CASE

Appeal Reference	APP/C1435/W/23/3321978
Appeal By	GLEESON LAND AND JOHN ALISON LAND AND RESEARCH LTD
Site Address	Land at Downlands Farm Uckfield TN22 3PU Grid Ref Easting: 546619 Grid Ref Northing: 122026

SENDER DETAILS

Name	[redacted]
Address	[redacted]

ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- ☐ Appellant
- ☐ Agent
- ☑ Interested Party / Person
- ☐ Land Owner
- ☐ Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- ☐ Final Comments
- ☐ Proof of Evidence
- ☐ Statement
- ☐ Statement of Common Ground
- ☑ Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- ☐ Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

I write to object to the development of this precious land:
1. It is home to many species of flora and fauna, some of which are rare or threatened, to the extent that it should be a designated SSI. Desecration of their land and habitat is unforgivable. Once these creatures have left, and the ancient woodlands and plants are cut down and destroyed they can never be replaced either in themselves or as habitats - they are gone forever, and no future generations will know them. Soul destroying. It will also impact on the bio security of our beautiful Lake Wood, so enjoyed by locals and visitors alike.
2. We need proper natural walking land in Uckfield, not sterile and sanitised SANGS provided as a sop to the community. Walking the countryside is essential for the mental health of the citizens and community, as was proved during the covid crisis.
3. We do not need more overpriced houses which the builders will struggle to sell.
4. We do not need any more houses to be built without the forward design thinking which incorporates such elements as sustainable heating, water collection and solar panels.
5. Emergency services in the town are already buckling under the increased population resulting from previous building projects without the benefit of increased man-power or funding.
6. Similarly, dentists and GP practices already cannot cope with existing demands.
7. The town's roads are already gridlocked in rush hours. We do not need more traffic.
8. There is already a hosepipe ban - where is the extra water which all these extra inhabitants will need to come from?
9. I am not prepared to allow my legacy as a local person be the destruction of any more of the precious land which we should be looking after and nurturing for the benefit of generations to come. I am shocked that we are again in this position and that this land is not viewed as valuable - but fear that it is symptomatic of the blinkered attitude which so often accompanies the greed which will ultimately dictate the fate of our own species which has so little regard for the long-term value of the planet's other inhabitants. Shameful.