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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 object to the proposal at Downlands Farm. Uckfield can not cope with the increased demand on infrastructure from this development. Traffic through town is already unbearable. Our supermarkets are unreachable thanks to traffic and an inadequate road system. Access to the A22 is ridiculously slow due to overloaded access roads. Feeder roads are overloaded and the country lanes used as rat runs as a consequence. Access to medical services is seriously hampered by this traffic . Medical facilities available to Uckfield residents are completely over subscribed by sheer numbers of people and only one doctors is available to new residents. No dentists are available. Parking whilst free currently is hard to find at many times due to limited availability and sheer demand. The building proposal contains nothing to remedy any of the these concerns and the additional demands on current infrastructure is not viable. Water supply and sewage disposal are also issues that need to addressed before such plans are considered.

My experience of crossing the proposed site and its surroundings is extensive and the ancient woodland and biodiversity that will be lost is unforgivable. This area provides corridors for precious and protected species , borders SSSI's and woodlands trust land and provides corridors for walkers . Building on the scale proposed will destroy it all , inflict pollution from noise light chemicals and generate considerable drainage issues in adjoining land destroying that environment too. Quite simply current proposals will destroy biodiversity, increase flood risks, increase pollution of all types, overwhelm infrastructure,services and amenities. In a time of global warming building without inclusion of compulsory solar panels , ground source heating and water harvesting is unforgivable yet I don't see any inclusion of these in the proposal. This proposal needs refusing on every level but if only for one reason and that is protecting our dwindling green spaces and biodiversity in preference to short term profits for uncaring unsympathetic and selfish property developers. All the objections I have listed pale into insignificance compared to the risks to all of us from global warming, a very real and obvious problem right now and this proposal will speed up the progress to our mutual destruction. Stop it now please.