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The following is a comment on application 'P182726/O' by 'SANDRA WOOLLEY'

Nature of feedback: Objecting to the application

## Comment:

Pennsylvania Lyonshall Kington HR5 3JU Thursday, April 11, 2019

I would like to strongly object to the planning application 182726/0 –of six intensive chicken buildings, biomass boilers, a dwelling plus all the associated development at Green Farm, Crump Oak Wood, Lyonshall.

- 1) My property is the nearest residential house to the site and from my own measurements I have found it to be 297 meters behind my property (excluding a hedge) and NOT 'more than 400 meters' as is stated in the proposers application. Therefore all his calculations for noise, dust and odor are inaccurate and put my family's health at risk as well as our livestock. The decibel's for noise alone is nearly 3 times the safe limit without taking in account of feed deliveries being blown in to 18 silos, the frequency of this is not given or other running deliveries such as the wood chip to fuel the biomass boilers.
- 2) The admittance of the odor at clearing out times being 'Quite intense' in the report would actually be unbearable at the closer proximity of our property at 297 meters, not the 400 meters declared by the report. He has also averaged it out to mislead the readers.
- 3) Contrary to para109 NPPF by reason of putting us at risk and adversely affecting us, by unacceptable emission levels surrounding our local environment by pollution to air, water and noise.
- 4) Contrary to Para 123 -Failing to avoid noise giving adverse impacts on quality of life of nearby residents and affecting an area of tranquility, which is currently undisturbed by noise and air pollution.
- 5) I would like to point out that Lyonshall already has so many intensive chicken rearing establishments; in fact it has the largest concentration of these monstrosities

not only in the United Kingdom, but in the whole of Europe. This needs to stop. The CO2 emissions alone are a major cause of concern not only to local residents, but to the whole of the United Kingdom and the wider world. 360,000 birds will produce 1,580 tons of CO2 each year and Herefordshire Council's Carbon management plan states a 40% reduction in CO2 emissions by 2021(based on 2008/09), aiming to reduce CO2 emissions by 80% by 2050 (based on 1990 levels).

- 6) Another factor to consider is that with such a concentration of chicken units in Lyonshall and the increasing problems with antibiotics and disease, how long with it be before there is an outbreak of disease between different flocks? Furthermore, what will be the affect on wild birds in the area? We have red kites frequently flying above Pennsylvania and nesting nearby. I would not like to see these birds killed off from disease or contamination from these intensively reared birds.
- 7) Emissions to the atmosphere of ammonia will also put the nearby ancient woodland at unacceptable risk.
- 8) May I also point out; that it was reported last year on the front cover of the Hereford Times that there would be no more chicken houses would be allowed in Herefordshire, so why is this proposal even being considered?
- 9) Work on this site started in 2015 as you are aware without the necessary permissions from you. This 10 acre site was bought from the 800 acre block, for the sole purpose of industrial chicken farming on this 10 acre site. Roadways were cut through the ancient woodland and the disappearance of the sapling Oak that was replanted by the previous owner to replace the Crump Oak that fell. Hedges ripped out, 3 phase electric dug in, tons and tons of soil excavated in preparation for this proposal without the necessary surveys. Why do large landowners not believe they are confined to the same restraints that everyone else is?

RA6-1, RA6-2,

10) This proposal will create at least 6 acres of roofing and concrete on greenbelt land. This size and scale is not commensurate with the location and setting, thus completely detrimental to the current landscape, character and totally out of keeping.

RA6-2, LD1-2 SD11

11) The strain of all this extra water consumption, may have an effect on local residents supply, (who are on mains) but more importantly the burden of all this runoff water contaminated with antibiotics, chicken waste and phosphate will pose an adverse effect not only, local streams, springs, bore holes, ponds, lakes, but the rivers, Lugg (which already has high levels of phosphate in breach of European legislation) Dore and Wye and their associated eco-systems, but to water supplies and the four neighboring farms; all their livestock as well as local residents private drinking water supplies and to my property endangering our health and the health of our livestock too.

RA6-3, MT1

12) Another major concern is the increased traffic not only of the HGV vehicles on the main road transporting the chickens to their death, but the increased tractors and trailers, tankers carrying contaminated loads of chicken waste on the narrow, single tracked surrounding by-roads, adding further pollution to the air and a higher risk of road safety, accidents and damage..

SD3-4 S11

13) As the proposer owns most of the land around Almeley and Lyonshall the spreading of this chicken waste with not be regulated by the environment agency leaving residents unprotected against the nuisance and harmful effect to their health. Furthermore the Environmental Permit No EPR/ZP3230AZ does not fill me with confidence when the limits schedule is left blank.

I would strongly encourage the planners to refuse this unpopular proposal as all of the above is against Herefordshire Councils' Local planning Polices RA6-1, RA6-2, RA6-3, SD1, SD3, SD4, SS6, MT1, LD2, SS1 and paragraphs 109, 123, S11 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Thank you for your time.

Yours Sincerely

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