

Planning application comment was submitted on the **05 October 2023 10:59 AM**

The following is a comment on application **P222728/N** by **Anja Korkeila**

Nature of feedback: Objecting to the application

Comment: I am writing to object to planning application P222728/N for the construction of a large AD plant at Whitwick Manor.

An industrial waste plant of this size would be greatly detrimental to the environment and to local residents.

Creating an industrial site in such a rural setting of small hamlets and local cottages and properties, near conservation areas seems to me to be totally inappropriate.

The impact of hugely increased traffic of large lorries will cause air and noise pollution, affecting residents, wildlife and biodiversity.

It will create a lot of disruption to transport on small, local roads that are narrow and were never meant for constant industrial traffic. Many cottages are located along the small roads and increased traffic at the local traffic light crossroads will only cause tailbacks.

When traffic increases, it will cause more traffic to take short cuts through even smaller roads and local parkland. The roads in this area are narrow and winding and pass through small hamlets and populated areas with cottages.

In particular, the A417 at Stretton Grandison has sharp narrow bends and is a Conservation Area and has cottages on the road corners. Increased traffic and braking of lorries will cause noise and disturbance to residents and will affect the conservation character of the whole area. There is already traffic calming signage and more lorries would be totally detrimental.

There are also the concerns about explosions and leaks, especially with so many properties nearby.

This sort of massive industrial plant will completely change the tranquil and quaint aspect of the local countryside with its character cottages and houses. In view of the disruption to local residents, the increase of traffic on small rural roads, the risk of smells, leaks and explosions, the excess pollution and effect on wildlife and biodiversity, I object to this proposal.

Attachment:

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Infrastructure from section 106 to consider: A guarantee that lorries are not able to access the site through small rural roads, especially Stretton Grandison, which has narrow sharp bends and is a protected Conservation area. A guarantee that the site will not cause pollution, both noise and environmental, or smells, and proof that it is far enough from local properties if an explosion was to occur.

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