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The following is a comment on application **P223796/F** by **Elizabeth Greenshields**

Nature of feedback: Objecting to the application

Comment: Objection to Planning Application P223796/F, Shucknall Court, Weston Beggard Lane, Hereford HR1 4BH

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Infrastructure from section 106 to consider: Small industrial artisan units supporting local work within the community.

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15th March 2023

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Dear Sir or Madam,

Re: Planning Application P223796/F, Shucknall Court, Weston Beggard Lane, Hereford HR1 4BH. Part retrospective application for the demolition of buildings & erection of a storage building & workshop along with associated infrastructure, to be used for the maintenance & repairs of HGVs.

I wish to object to planning application P223796/F.

I have resided at Shucknall Hill since [REDACTED] & as a resident took an interest & participated in the Weston Beggard Neighborhood Plan, which was carefully thought through to lay down a structured plan of residents desires for the future of the Parish. Small local business employing local people was to be encouraged, including residential infill. HGVs being maintained & housed at Shucknall Court is **not** part of this plan, and does not offer local job opportunities. Some of the existing small units have been knocked down already, [REDACTED]

Access

Weston Beggard lane which is the access to & from Shucknall Court is mainly single track. Lorries exiting onto the A4103, a very busy main road, would be hazardous. Visibility is hampered as the road goes into a dip towards Hereford, & curves away in the opposite direction eastwards. Lorries exiting this junction would take up most of the lane & some of the main road to pull out, not a quick manoeuvre, and as the lane banks up to the main road junction acceleration by lorries will cause considerable road surface erosion.

Unfortunately the speed limit is not always observed, & cars come out of this dip legally at 40mph. The bus stop is in a pull in area just past the junction where anybody waiting could be in potential jeopardy. Residents including children, also walk to this stop from the houses on the lane, not a safe route at the best of times, but with Lorries also using the lane frequently, a potential disaster.

Size

Small units within the area of Shucknall Court that fit in with the landscape & compliment the area are desirable, but not big sheds & lorry parks. It is unclear how much the site will be used or how big the facilities would therefore be, and more clarity would be welcome.

Noise & Pollution

As the size of this operation is unknown, it is difficult to gauge how much pollution would be increased. Potentially there would be more fuel fumes from using & testing HGVs, diesel spillage, noise from machinery used during maintenance, & testing. Noise does tend to travel & echo up the valley especially on the prevailing winds. Light pollution could also be detrimental to residents, especially if the plant is operational beyond normal working hours?

Conclusion

I can see no benefit to the local area & its residents if this plan comes to fruition. It has the potential to ruin the tranquil nature of this rural area, & disrupt & endanger inhabitants & I strongly object to planning being granted. There is conflict with the Weston Beggard Neighbourhood Development plan.

Elizabeth Greenshields