



16 Bells Orchard,
Almeley
Herefordshire HR3 6NE
17 April 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find my objections to the planning application made below:

Application Ref. 182726/0 proposed poultry unit of 6 buildings, biomass boilers, poultry manager's dwelling and associated development at Green Farm, Crump Oak, Lyonshall.

The industrialised size of this development will have a disastrous effect on the parish of Almeley and surroundings because of the following reasons:

1 Pollution

The number of birds will produce 6,400 tonnes of manure polluted by chemicals, including anti-biotics, and biological substances. How and where this is spread are not identified. They will be spread just to get rid of it – unacceptable!

2 Water

a: Discharge of contaminated water will threaten private ground water supplies in the area. Contaminated surface and run-off water + waste disposal of contaminated wash-down water can have unaddressed environmental impacts.

b. The effect on domestic water supplies is not addressed – the site will need millions of litres per annum. This in a time when there are serious concerns about water consumption, especially in Herefordshire.

3 CO2 emissions

CO2 emissions will be unacceptable in any case but certainly, given Herefordshire Council's concern's over CO2 pollution!

4 Noise, odour and dust

Noise odour and dust are already causing problems in this area due to the density of chicken units here. Several residential properties are within 400 metres distance from the site eg Pennsylvania. There are more than enough of these chicken “farms” in our area!

5 Landscape

The impact on landscape character is irrefutable. 6 buildings on the crest of a ridge with distant views to S, W and N cannot be considered insignificant!

6 HGV traffic

The amount of HGV traffic will unacceptably increase the loading on the A480. The roads around Almeley are minor roads, often single track and in poor condition already. The heavy traffic also creates risks to cyclists and walkers, of which there are many!

For the above reasons, the proposal is contrary to Herefordshire Council Local Plan policies – RA6-1, RA6-2, RA6-3, SD1, SD3, SD4, SS6, MT1, LD2, SS1 and paragraphs 109 and 123 and S11 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

This development has no visible benefits, only a string of adverse impacts, The application has a bad smell.

Yours faithfully,

A. Boon-Davies