

PLANNING REF : 252782
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 14 Simmons Fields
: Charvil
: RG10 9UW
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Karyn Southgate
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COMMENTS:

This is currently a small village which already has a significant amount of traffic. There is not the infrastructure to support the additional vehicles on a daily basis. This is likely to impact journeys particularly during rush hour. The road is fairly narrow and used by cyclists, pedestrians (including children) cars and other vehicles. Having large tankers etc is a safety issue for all other users.

The narrow roads and limited infrastructure of Charvil are not designed to handle the volume and size of HGV traffic anticipated. The increased congestion poses significant safety risks, particularly to pedestrians, cyclists, and school children. Additionally, the risk of road accidents involving large vehicles will increase substantially. Please also note that a lot of children cycle to school across these busy roads.

This will potentially create a lot more pollution which will impact the quality of the air. We have 2 young children (aged 6 and 8) who attend the Charvill Primary Piggott School. The traffic will have an impact on the air quality for our children and all of the children who attend school. This can give rise to many respiratory problems (young and old).

There is no infrastructure to monitor or mitigate the pollutants leaving all residents but particularly the young and vulnerable open to respiratory and cardiovascular issues.

This will increase the noise pollution in the area. It will disrupt the peace of the small village which is highly likely to have a negative impact on residents quality of life and in particular mental well being. Our children already find the current level of noise challenging and overwhelming.

The operation of a fuel storage carries inherent risks of leaks or spills, which could contaminate local soil and watercourses. Given its proximity to the River Loddon and the nature reserve this would have long-term detrimental effects on our local environment and biodiversity.

In summary, the proposed development is entirely unsuitable for our village. It will lead to increased pollution, environmental risks, safety hazards, and a significant decline in the quality of life for residents. The above are all material considerations which WBC should take into consideration for all planning applications (as set out on its website) and I strongly urge the council to reject this application and instead prioritise developments that align with our community's values and environmental sustainability.