

PLANNING REF : 252782
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 39 Chiltern Drive
: 39 Chiltern Dri Charvil, Charvil, Berkshire
: RG10 9QF
SUBMITTED BY : NOA FERBER
DATE SUBMITTED : 21/11/2025

COMMENTS:

OBJECTION TO PLANNING APPLICATION

I wish to object to this application due to the serious and unacceptable impacts it would have on highway safety, public health, and the surrounding environment.

1. Highway Safety:

Large tankers exiting the site currently need to swing into the opposite carriageway, forcing oncoming traffic to stop especially dangerous given the bend in the road.
The proposal also includes over 60 heavy-vehicle deliveries per day on a small village residential road already used by school children. This level of HGV activity is wholly inappropriate and poses a significant collision risk.

2. Public Health and Children's Safety:

Pollution from vehicle emissions, fuel storage, and site operations will increase land and air pollution. With Charvil School nearby, this presents a long-term risk to children's health and safety, exposing them to higher levels of fumes, noise, and traffic danger on their daily routes.

3. Encroachment on Public Access:

The updated site boundary appears to extend over the Old Bath Road country park entrance and the anglers' car park, threatening well-used public access points.

4. River Discharge Concerns:

The planned outfall pipe for treated sewage and site runoff into the Old River Loddon raises major concerns about water quality and flood behaviour.

5. Inadequate Biodiversity Measures:

The addition of six trees and limited shrubs does not constitute meaningful biodiversity gain. The claimed 14% improvement is not credible.

6. Land Instability:

The site sits on "made ground," and the proposed concrete retaining walls and gabions do not convincingly address long-term stability or drainage issues.

7. Amenity and Environmental Impact:

Noise, fumes, lighting, and fuel storage will significantly harm residents' quality of life and degrade the country park environment.

For all these reasons, I strongly urge the council to refuse this application.