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I am submitting the following comment by email as I have been repeatedly given an error message when I try to submit it on the portal.

As close neighbours of Unit 1 Horsham Trade Park, we wish to comment on the noise report submitted in relation to the planning application DC/25/0561 concerning operations of FFS.

The report that has been produced gives a very limited and inaccurate assessment of the noise levels we experience. I attended the Planning Committee meeting with other neighbours on 22nd July where the noise report was agreed as a first measure in assessing the level of nuisance and disturbance caused by vehicles and movement at FFS. Clearly, by commissioning their own report and controlling the days on which the noise was assessed, FFS have been able to present a much more favourable report than a fully independent assessment would have revealed. We are in complete concurrence with our neighbours [redacted] at number 8 Crawford Gardens who have submitted a lengthy comment outlining in full the weaknesses and inaccuracies in the report.

The most concerning omissions were the unrepresentative nature of the measurements which failed to include Sundays, often the busiest day for FFS. This has become the day when we feel the disturbance is most invasive to our privacy, and often for extended hours. The measurements only include the unloading of lighter vehicles, not the reality of operations frequently involving HGVs.

I outlined my objections to the planning application in full when I spoke at the Planning committee meeting in July. The majority of councillors seemed mindful to agree to much more limited hours at Unit 1 (including no Sunday operations) along with other restrictions. However, the noise report was hurriedly agreed as an initial step near the end of the meeting. It is particularly frustrating and disappointing that this has then been conducted without impartiality and with such deeply flawed methodology.

We respectfully request that this application is declined. I [redacted] would also like to speak in objection at the next planning meeting.

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