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The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/Z3825/W/25/3364754

DETAILS OF THE CASE

Appeal Reference	APP/Z3825/W/25/3364754
Appeal By	PRESTIGE PACKAGING SOLUTIONS LTD
Site Address	Bridge Farm Coolham Road Coolham HORSHAM RH13 8GP

SENDER DETAILS

Name	[redacted]
Address	Cowfold Road Coolham RH13 8QJ

ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- ☐ Appellant
- ☐ Agent
- ☑ Interested Party / Person
- ☐ Land Owner
- ☐ Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- ☐ Final Comments
- ☐ Proof of Evidence
- ☐ Statement
- ☐ Statement of Common Ground
- ☑ Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- ☐ Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

Re: Appeal Reference APP/Z3825/W/25/3364754
Site: Bridge Farm, Coolham Road, Coolham, West Sussex RH13 8GP
Dear Sir/Madam,
I am writing as an [redacted] resident of Coolham to express my strong opposition to this appeal.
I have lived in this village for many years — long enough to remember a time when it was genuinely peaceful, safe, and rural. I never imagined I'd spend my later years writing objection letters just to try and preserve some basic quality of life. But here we are, once again, having to object to yet another attempt to increase the scale and intensity of a business that is already doing far too much damage.
The company operating the haulage yard is already ignoring the limits placed on them, with lorries roaring through the village in the early hours of the morning. I am regularly woken before 5am by the noise of engines and brakes. At my age, rest is not a luxury — it is essential for my health. But this constant disruption is making it harder and harder to stay well.
Now they want to expand the yard, resurface it, and make space for even more large vehicles. If this is approved, it will only make things worse. They have done nothing to address the problems residents have raised. The screeching brakes continue. The traffic continues. And as far as I can see, the company simply carries on regardless.
A young mother in our community recently had a frightening encounter with one of the drivers, who was reportedly behaving dangerously through the village. I'm told the owner responded helpfully once made aware — but why must it take serious incidents or confrontations before something is done?
This kind of business does not belong in a quiet rural village. It should either downsize significantly or relocate to an industrial area where it won't cause harm. We have narrow roads, young children, older residents, and a community that is quickly losing the peace it once had.
This constant pressure — these repeated applications and appeals — are not just exhausting, they are disheartening. At my age, it takes a lot to keep up with all this, and quite honestly, it is taking a toll. I just want to live the time I have left in peace.
I respectfully urge the Planning Inspectorate to reject this appeal and protect the wellbeing of the residents of Coolham. We deserve to be heard — and we deserve some peace.
Yours sincerely,
[redacted]