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Site Address: Land East of Disley Paper Mill Waterside Road New Mills Derbyshire

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Submission: Objection

Comments: The proposed compound and temporary structures would destroy the greenbelt and be a blight on the landscape. Even if 'temporary', there is no information provided on the timescales for works nor the process of returning the land to a 'green' state. One would hope for a binding plan of rewilding which would not just return the land to its present state but improve upon it ecologically.

Furthermore, and most worryingly, no information is provided on expected vehicle movements for the works. Hague Bar already suffers day and night from noisy, offensively large HGVs accessing the tissue site via the bridge granted planning permission in the 1990s with no positive contribution to our neighbourhood - just noise, dust, danger to pedestrians and cyclists, paper litter spewed along the road. Drivers regularly tear through the residential area ignoring their surroundings or the 30mph limit and the company which operates the site appears uncontactable. With now a major redevelopment planned, there is no information regarding vehicle movements before or after the works, nor any measures to ensure the safety of vulnerable road users. Waterside Road is completely inappropriate for large movements of motor vehicle traffic and this will have a major negative impact on current users and residents.

No information is given on lighting or noise from the temporary compound and its impact on local wildlife. Bats, deer, birds of prey and great crested newts are all known to exist here.

Surely when the plan to expand the site's operations was submitted to Cheshire East, it should have been decided and known how the redevelopment would take place? Why has this taken 11 years, with feeble steps taken to keep extending the validity of that original permission? High Peak Borough were correct to refuse the original application as this is clearly a wholly different site. The tissue factory already have a large gravel car park above the site which is often largely empty, why can't they use this site rather than destroy even more of the local landscape with their noise and pollution? There is no valid necessity for this development whatsoever.

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