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Application Reference No. : HPK/2024/0143 Site Address: Derbyshire County Council Works Department Ashbourne Lane Chapel-En-Le-Frith Derbyshire SK23 0PA High Peak Comments by: Joanna Neville
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Submission: Objection

Comments: The proposed site is in the middle of an established residential area. Both the scale and the potential industrial uses are unsympathetic to the existing homes.

A large number of homes will be affected because the site is sandwiched between dwellings on all sides.

All the surrounding houses will be completely overlooked due to the topography of the area and the massive scale of the proposed buildings.

There is no guarantee of the hours of working, meaning that there could be night shifts, early shifts disturbing the residents.

Pollution from the proposed development:

Air pollution such as smells, fumes, dust from the businesses using the site.

Light pollution. From both the businesses operating at the site and also security lights that will be needed to keep the premises safe.

Noise pollution in a residential area from the businesses operating.

Large imposing buildings will be very visible as you enter Chapel and are out of keeping with the town. The suggested cladding will not be visible on the buildings because of how the site is situated (sandwiched between residential roads on a hill) so will not mitigate the eyesore.

Bats are in the area and will not just be impacted thorough loss of nesting and roosting sites but also by light and noise pollution from operations.

24 parking bays plus 18 spaces for bikes means commuters and increased traffic at busy times. 100% increase as the site has been very, very quiet for some years.

Ashbourne Lane and the pavements are narrow and already busy. It is the school run for residents of Anchor Avenue, Anchor Fold and Ashbourne Lane. There is also a children's park. The increased traffic due to the site will cause major health and safety risks.

The proposed new entrance is in a location where turning vehicles will impact the entire road. It is already narrow; damage could easily be caused to residents parked cars; pedestrians hurt.

The junction at the bottom of Ashbourne Lane where it meets Market Street and Beresford Road (which leads up towards the school) is extremely busy. This development will put further pressure on this junction with commuters and traffic to the businesses.

The Market Street/Beresford/Ashbourne Lane entrance will be the only way for HGVs and large vehicles to access the site, all other ways encounter hairpin bends too sharp for them or weak bridges.

The road is already deemed unsuitable for HGVs with 7.5 ton weight limit in place at either end. The proposed site would encourage these unsuitable vehicles to use the road.

Ashbourne Lane leads up a hill out of the town. In bad weather the road is often impassable and dangerous due to ice.

There are few passing places up the hill on Ashbourne Lane and no scope for them to be added. The narrow, country lane will simply not be able to cope with the extra traffic and become blocked.

The common cut through to get to Ashbourne Lane from the main road avoiding Dove Holes traffic is via a small turning at the traffic lights that leads onto Station Road (by Wild Olive). It is already congested due to the lights, narrow with parked cars, houses and has a weak bridge. This will put further pressure on the traffic in this area. Again, narrow pavements and residential.

Increased traffic from the site will also impact Market St/Buxton Road and Dove Holes

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