

Mr Nick Harding Head of Planning Fenland District Council Fenland Hall County Road March PE15 8NQ

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Dear Nick

I wish to submit an objection to planning application F/YR23/0069/F

In 2021 there was a malodorous smell detected in Whittlesey, eventually it was traced back to AW Jenkinson who, unbeknown to most residents and councillors, had started operating their wood recycling business with no planning permission. Now, AW Jenkinson are applying for retrospective planning permission after 2 years of hell for my constituents.

This retrospective planning application would be hugely damaging to the local community. There are serious concerns about the increased noise levels, dust, odour and potential health implications.

AW Jenkinson has been operating for the last two years without planning permission and causing great distress to the residents of Whittlesey. The material at the site is stored externally and meant to be contained within the 'lego' brick walls, however it is stored in excess of the wall height which means the material can be picked up by the wind and dispersed into the local atmosphere.

Concerns have been raised with FDC Environmental Health Team in regard to the processing of green wood and the harmful effects to human health from exposure to the dust at this site. Ongoing noise issues caused by machines such as diggers and other heavy plant operating without low noise/directional reversing beacons. Alongside this wood being shredded outside with little or no noise mitigation.

I am deeply concerned about the impact this planning application has on the environment and affect it has on the local population. I do not believe that this planning application benefits the local community in anyway.

It is baffling to me the site has been allowed to operate for so long without any planning permission or covenants. I also find it remarkable that given the level of community interest regarding activity at Saxon Pit, that any business has been able to operate at that location without adequate scrutiny.

In light of the above, I hope my representation and that of my constituents is taken into account when deciding the outcome of this application.

Yours sincerely,

**Stephen Barclay MP** 

Luc Marling