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The Planning Inspector

Re:- Proposed Traveller Pitch, Ffennant Rd, Ponciau
Ref: H6955/A/16/3161155 P/2016/0225-Land West of Bryn Offa, Ffennant Rd, Ponciau,
Wrexham.

I wish to object to the above application on the following grounds.

Entrance to the proposed site is off a busy, narrow, winding road and is on a bend at the bottom of a hollow. Visibility is poor and potentially dangerous to site users and road users alike. The road is on a bus route and serves almost all of Ponciau and a large part of Rhos. A large number of pedestrians use the road to access a more frequent bus service, between Wrexham and Llangollen/Oswestry, which stops at the bottom of Ffennant Road. In addition the road is used by pupils from Johnstown walking to/from the local secondary school, Ysgol y Grango, Rhos and those pupils from Ponciau, walking to catch the buses from the bottom of Ffennant Road to other secondary schools in the area eg Maelor School, Penley and Ysgol Morgan Llwyd.

The "valley" of which the site is part, is prone to flooding in bad weather and is marshy at best. It forms a wildlife corridor in a relatively built up area and is a habitat for many species including foxes, squirrels, owls, hedgehogs, bats and newts. Such areas need to be conserved not damaged by encroachment into the "valley" or intensification of use of parts of it, or adjacent areas. The development proposed would be completely out of character with the locality and detrimental to the area.

The "valley" is crossed by high voltage cables, supported by large pylons. Similar cables have been the subject of television documentaries because of their effects on the health of residents living close to them. These cables pass over the boundary of the above site and as such would constitute a potential health hazard to occupiers of the site.

The site is also very close to Offa's Dyke, which as an ancient monument, of great importance to local and national history, needs to be protected not endangered by increased usage of the areas adjacent to it.

I would be grateful if you would consider the above points when making your decision.

Yours sincerely

