

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Planning Reference P 2016 0533 / Welsh Government Ref
H6955/A/17/3167412. Section 78 Appeal at: Land North of Cross lanes
Roundabout, between Sesswick Way and Bedwell Road, Cross Lanes, Wrexham**

I understand the above planning application was refused by Wrexham Council and a hearing will be held to hear an Appeal by the planning applicant.

I write to wholeheartedly object and oppose the planning application to erect two broiler chicken rearing buildings and associated buildings and infrastructure north of Cross Lanes between Sesswick Way and Bedwell Road.

I am a local resident, my property is located very close to Bedwell Road and therefore myself and my family will be directly affected by the environmental impact that this proposed facility will cause.

I have spent many years working in the food industry including the meat and poultry industry. I have witnessed at first hand the consequences to local residents who are located close to intensive shed based poultry rearing facilities. The environmental impact from poultry farms is well documented, they include:

1. **Constant, unpleasant odours.** Cross Lanes is located directly downstream of the predominant air-flow from the planned site. The village already suffers from the unpleasant smells and air pollution generated by the Secanim Abattoir. Despite all reassurances that the site operates to the highest standards, the smell is still appalling at times. Adding a chicken farm will further exacerbate this problem. The processor / farmer, will always state that their farm operates to the highest hygiene standards and therefore minimise any environmental impact but the fact is, this is a farm rearing 40,000 birds which will create unpleasant odours from the birds and manure. It is wholly unfair to expect the local community to accept any further environmental odour pollution.

2. **Dust pollution** from the farm is a major concern. Dust will escape into the atmosphere (particularly when the sheds are being evacuated of birds at the end of each 6/7 week growth cycle when a full clean down will be implemented), the escaping dust will be carried across the village by the air-stream. Our children already suffer from asthma and other allergies, this will potentially cause further health issues to my family. **Has the population of Cross Lanes been allergy tested to this potential pollution?** I cannot see in the planning documents a risk analysis from dust escaping into the atmosphere and the impact on the local population?

3. There will be additional **noise pollution** from increased industrial traffic ie. HGV's moving the birds between the farm and the processing unit, traffic on the farm. and the birds themselves.

It is my opinion that the location of this farm is too close to the growing population of Cross Lanes. The environmental pollution resulting from the smell, dust and noise from the farm is a significant threat to the health and well-being of the population of Cross Lanes.

Kind regards

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