

Please find below our concerns and objections to the application, PF/P/2016/0533 & Ref: Welsh Government Planning Inspectorate Ref: H 6955/A/17/3167412 on the proposed chicken factory: -

**Wrexham Borough Council's refusal of application Ref PF/P/2016/0533.**

**Objections on the following points: -**

This chicken factory should be constructed on an existing brown field site or the nearby Wrexham Industrial Estate and not on a rural greenfield site which will result in the loss of much needed greenbelt land. We are concerned that this is industrial creep on our small rural residential area.

That the current inhabitants of Cross Lanes already have to put up with the nuisance of wind born odours and smells created by nearby meat processing unit, abattoir in Bedwell Road, also, the effluent smells created by Five Fords Water Treatment Plant and this will be increased by the methane smells from a chicken rearing factory especially in hot weather and on clear-out days, together with removal and disposal of dead and diseased chickens.

That the factory will most definitely cause a visual eyesore on the landscape in relation to the height and presence of the factory units from Sesswick way and Bedwell Road.

That there is an increased risk of water pollution to natural water sources adjoining the proposed development site.

That the rural environment of Cross Lanes is being industrialised and the indigenous wildlife is being eradicated.

That the current inhabitants of Cross Lanes are devoid of much needed local amenities such as playgrounds playing fields cycle paths, "fresh air".

That dust created by this factory will be carried on the prevailing wind and will aggravate any asthma sufferer.

That there will be an increase of flies in the area especially on clearing and spreading days and during the hot weather created by the waste material from the factory.

That the factory will increase the population of vermin in the area.

Having looked at the application it would appear that there is very little (2 employees) employment for the area in relation to this factory and there appears to be no benefit to the Cross Lanes community whatsoever.

**Following the refusal of the initial application by Wrexham Borough Council's planning department and their request for them to be provide further information we have made further inquiries. We ascertained that not only is the plan if approved it would be in contravention of Wrexham Borough Council's UDP and also their own legal policy document reference EC3. You will be aware that if someone can prove that they have lived in the mobile home for seven years running a successful farm business, they would be able to claim that they have an established business and therefore only require to have detailed consent. It is our belief that this is the intention of the applicant and we strongly object to this.**

**We believe this chicken rearing unit would be better placed and practical if it were to be within the curtilage of the chicken processing plant which is two miles away. This would reduce the amount of traffic on the road and would be good use of an existing brown field site.**

**As you are aware the Welsh Assembly Government provided £30 million for the Wrexham Industrial Estate north and south link road. The southern link road is known as Sesswick Way which took traffic from the conurbation of Cross Lanes. Traffic noise reduction bunds were promised along Sesswick Way to reduce traffic noise to the residents in Cross Lanes. To date, these bunds have been ineffective and the proposed chicken rearing unit is to be built within land between Sesswick Way and residents of Cross Lanes. Any noise from this facility and current traffic on Sesswick Way will be increased.**

**In the view of the above we strongly object to this proposal.**

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