

EMAIL FROM ELLISFIELD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION (MARCH 1, 2015)

Dear all,

Barfoot have made further changes to their planning application 14/03351/CMA and we only have until **Thursday, 5th March** to respond. The easiest way is to email: planning@hants.gov.uk quoting 14/03351/CMA, giving your name and address and using the word "object".

Original objections stand but you may wish to add a further comment in light of the new proposals.

Barfoot have applied to increase the food waste input to **40,000 tons** per year, an increase of **140%**, necessitating an increase in HGVs. Their latest application asks for **32 daily HGV movements** (not 40 as applied for a couple of months ago). This is still a **100% increase** on what they are currently permitted, **doubling** the amount of HGV movements allowed by the planning permission (a total of 16 HGV movements imposed by the Councillors to protect the lane and residents). The planning condition was imposed for a reason! This increase of traffic adds to the Veolia lorries at the A339 junction, where residents are already experiencing problems and several near accidents.

Barfoots has also applied to widen Bushywarren Lane on the south side nearing the Barfoot's entrance. They would be altering a single track rural lane by industrialising it. This "improvement" involves the removal of hedges, coppicing others, cutting back trees, removing verges and replacing with kerb stones. Also, there is a risk to wildlife.

EVA will continue to communicate with HCC addressing their concerns over this huge increase in HGV movements, the new visibility "improvements" and the underlying uncertainty over the future viability of the plant. Barfoot Energy's admits its failure to anticipate that the cost of waste could decrease. However, this is something which EVA, the EPC, Cllr Mark Ruffell and CC Anna McNair Scott all pointed out, with force, to HCC when contesting the original application for the plant, pointing out that there were **3 plants in close proximity who would all be chasing the same waste sources** and, therefore, the plant was unsustainable. Financial considerations are not planning considerations so HCC should evaluate the effect on the area (not the effect on Barfoot's finances).

You only have until 5th March 2015 to object - 5 days !!

Please do have a look at the application on HCC's website ([click here](#)) and write to **Rob Storey** at the HCC address below or on planning@hants.gov.uk copying your email to local councillors and Basingstoke and Deane:

(**Gregg Chapman** –gregg.chapman@basingstoke.gov.uk (with a double "g").

For Basingstoke, quote Application No: HCC/2014/0396 (**Basingstoke & Deane reference number BDB/76332**). **It is important to include in brackets the Basingstoke & Deane ref. number as B & D work off different numbers to HCC.**

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