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14<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Mrs Harding,

**WSSC/062/16/NH: Recycling, Recovery and Renewable Energy Facility and Ancillary Infrastructure. Former Wealden Brickworks, Langhurstwood Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4QD**

Thank you for your notification of 6<sup>th</sup> June advising the Sussex branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE Sussex) of the consultation on additional information in respect of the above application. This is our formal response.

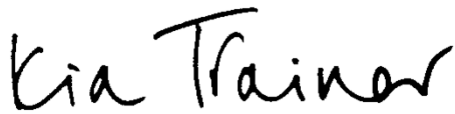
You will be aware that in our original representations on this application submitted on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2017, we objected to this application on the grounds of being **at odds with the prevailing landscape character of the locality of the site, visual impact and loss of tranquillity**, with consequent failure to comply with Policies W11, W12 and W19, and therefore Policy W10, of the West Sussex Waste Local Plan and Policies 25, 26 and 32 of the Horsham District Planning Framework, and there being no material considerations that indicate a decision other than in accordance with the development plan.

We note that the additional information submitted includes a revised design of building, with a reduction in height the building of 5m, additional information about the impact on the nearby scheduled monument, and revised visual impact modelling based on the proposed complex plus plume. It therefore does not address the issues of landscape character or tranquillity.

As regards the redesign of the building and the reduction in height, we do not consider that this really makes any significant difference in that the building remains in excess of 40m in height, and thus still of a height very significantly higher than any of the existing buildings on the site and completely out of character with the wider prevailing landscape character. The proposed development would, in our opinion, still have a substantial adverse visual impact from viewpoints 3, 4 and 11.

The detailed concerns expressed in our earlier representation therefore still stand and are not adequately addressed by the additional information submitted including the '**Regulation 22 Design Response**' by RPS. CPRE Sussex therefore maintains its **objection** to this application on the grounds as originally submitted back in January.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kia Trainor". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of "Kia" and "Trainor" being capitalized and prominent.

Kia Trainor, Director, CPRE Sussex