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As a resident of Wisbech I wish to register my objections to the proposed mega incinerator to be sited in our Georgian town. Why is it necessary to site it within a quarter of a mile of the town centre with its lovely Georgian buildings of historic value? The incinerator will be an eyesore for miles around and we will be subjected to noise, vibration, smells, toxins and various poisons polluting the air.

Residents have not been fully informed of exactly how their lives will be impacted. A scaled model should have been available in a central place I.e. the Library or Council offices. The small print advert in the local newspaper does not make easy or understandable reading for many residents, a large number of whom do not have English as their 1st language.

The road system through and around the town will not be able to cope with the planned huge increases in the volume of traffic proposed. The traffic survey carried out by MVV in late 2021 was when COVID 19 restrictions had not been fully lifted and people were still working from home, therefore, their baseline figures would be incorrect.

Transport will cause a huge number of problems on the road infrastructure as the A47 is not dual carriageway around the town and is often gridlocked and this is made worse in the Summer months with constant farm traffic and holiday traffic of caravans and motor homes making their way to and from North Norfolk and the coast. Other roads around the surrounding villages are also unsuitable for HGVs as they are constructed on peat and moving silt so they are constantly breaking up and sinking which causes problems with road repairs. In fact Weasenham Lane near Algores Way has already suffered from †sink holes' appearing recently which shows how unstable the roads are.

We are continually subjected to traffic holdups and queues when trying to get in or out of the town with HGVs serving the factories, supermarkets, shops etc, buses, farm traffic and cars and to add another 300+ HGVs a day will only exacerbate the problems and make life very difficult for residents getting shopping, attending Drs/hospital appointments, visiting friends/ family, children getting to and from school and recreationally. In fact it will be nothing short of madness!

The planned site for the incinerator is in close proximity to 7 schools, houses, eye clinic, supermarkets, farm shops and restaurants and eating establishments with outside seating in the summer months. It will mean that children and adults using these facilities will be subjected to smells, noise, toxins, and numerous poisons pollution being churned out of the incinerator. People's health will be affected and we need to protect the young and elderly in society not killing them.

The surrounding A1 farmland, which is vitally needed now to help feed the country as the Government has said we must not be too reliant on imports, will eventually be polluted from the toxins and poisons emitted and consequently rendered useless. Also the wildlife in the River Nene close by and the Wash and Welney Wetlands will also be affected. We are being told our wildlife is decreasing so to build this monstrosity which will increase the likelihood of natures habitats being lost forever is appalling. It's even possible that pollution from the chimneys could reach as far as the Royal Sandringham estate and I'm sure HM the King would not be best pleased about that!

Finally, HVV say they will be transporting waste from 200 miles away, this makes no sense at all as they will be passing other incinerators that could deal with the waste. Again the Government have stated they need to reduce greenhouse gases not increase them which is what will happen with the pollution being generated by 300+ extra HGVs daily on the roads. Scientists are reporting that we are in the RED zone of producing greenhouse gases which is threatening our Planet and it's not going to take very much more to tip the Planet over into self destruction. This would appear to be overlooked by the Government and this company when we have such a small

window in which to make changes and to save the Planet for our children, grandchildren and generations to come.

Please can sanity be restored and this planning application rejected.