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I wish to make my objection to the proposed mega incinerator for Wisbech for the following reasons:

1) I do not feel that the local community in Wisbech and the surrounding villages have been adequately consulted on this mega incinerator. I live in Leverington and received a basic leaflet regarding this project that outlined some event dates and venues for public consultations. There was no event organised to consult with the people of Leverington. There are many elderly people living in Leverington, who would be unable to attend any of the planned events without transport. I am aware that many of the village residents struggle to get into Wisbech and the village newsletter is always asking for volunteers to drive elderly residents to appointments. Therefore, I feel the consultation has neglected to consider or make any effort to inform the elderly population in our area.

Likewise, Wisbech has a very large migrant population from Eastern Europe who perform vital roles in farming and other sectors in our community. There has been no attempt to consult with this large section of our community and there has been a complete failure to produce consultation documents and paperwork in other languages for our residents to access. Therefore, I feel that the consultation has been flawed and is unsuitable and unfit for a mega project of this nature.

2) The traffic in and around Wisbech is already horrendous. Regularly the town is completely gridlocked during evening rush hour due incidents on the A47. This kind of gridlock often happens, especially when an accident occurs on one of the major surrounding road links. I believe the traffic surveys for this project were carried out during school holidays, so there wasn't even any school run traffic included at the time. I cannot even begin to imagine the impact of 300+ lorry movements per day that will be generated by the proposed mega incinerator. Wisbech will be permanently gridlocked, our roads were not designed to carry this amount of traffic. Wisbech is a small, Georgian market town, it cannot cope with all the trucks heading towards Algores Way. I also believe that the traffic surveys in the town were carried out by MCV during lockdown when everyone was working from home. This is not a fair representation of traffic in our area and the surveys need to be completed again now to get a realistic picture.

3) I am also very concerned about how dangerous it is to have more than 300

daily truck movements heading towards Algores Way in an area where there is a large secondary school, Thomas Clarkson Academy. The road is perilous at the best of times with a large number of HGVs already using this route. Increasing truck movements caused by the proposed mega incinerator will make it even more dangerous for local children who walk or cycle to school. Indeed, in July 2018 a 10-year-old boy was knocked off his bike and killed down Weasenham Lane after a collision with a lorry. To add more HGV traffic to an already dangerous road is simply incomprehensible and negligent. The safety and lives of our local children need to come first. This issue is of paramount importance in my opinion.

I therefore completely disagree with the siting of a mega incinerator in our small, populated, historically significant and beautiful Georgian market town of Wisbech.

Yours faithfully,

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