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Subject: Objection Letter

I am writing to express my utmost concern and objection regarding the proposed establishment of an incinerator in Wisbech. As a resident deeply committed to the preservation of our fragile ecology, I firmly believe that such a facility would pose a significant threat to the environment and its inherent wildlife.

First and foremost, the construction and operation of an incinerator will undoubtedly result in the release of copious amounts of harmful emissions into the atmosphere. Incinerators are notorious for emitting noxious substances such as carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxide, sulphur dioxide and particulate matter. These pollutants contribute significantly to air pollution exacerbate global warming and have detrimental effects on both human and animal health. Our community should instead focus on adopting sustainable and environmentally friendly waste management practices that prioritise recycling and reuse.

Move over the proposal of the incinerator would inevitably generate significant amount of hazardous ash and waste residues. The improper disposal of these by-products carries the risk of infiltrating our soil, water sources, and delicate ecosystems. Given that the site in Wisbech is home to several water bodies and diverse flora and fauna habitats, the potential repercussions could be catastrophic. We need to prioritise the protection and conservation of our rich biodiversity rather than subject it to avoidable risks.

Additionally the ecological impact of the proposed incinerator extends beyond air and water pollution. The construction of such a facility would also require the disturbance and destruction of vital wildlife habitats and grown up forested areas. These serve habitats as nurseries, breeding grounds and migratory routes for various species that are already facing significant threat due to human encroachment. Our responsibility lies in preserving and restoring such habitats, not contributing to their destruction.

Furthermore, I would like to bring to your attention the socio-economic implications of this proposal. The establishment of such a facility has a

massive potential to affect property values in the area, leading to devaluation and financial hardship for homeowners. It could lead to forcing businesses out of the area or closing completely. Moreover the public perception of our community may worsen and potential visitors and investors will be deterred by the environmental impacts. This will lead to severe repercussions on the local economy and overall well being of our community.

In light of these concerns, I urge you to reconsider the establishment of the proposed incinerator and instead explore more environmentally sustainable alternatives for waste management. The promotion of recycling, composting and investment in renewable energy sources would not only alleviate our communities waste woes but also contribute to a healthier, greener future of the generations of Wisbech.

Another major issue is the increased traffic it would bring to the already congested roads, causing significant delays and safety concerns for our community and local residents.

Additionally the proposed site is located near several schools, which raises concerns about health risks for the children who attend those schools. As well as concerns for the parents due to the large increase to traffic in the area which will mostly be HGV vehicles.

Thank you sincerely for your attention to this matter. I trust that as a responsible stewards of the environment, you will weigh the ecological implications thoughtfully and prioritise the preservation of our ecosystem over short term gains.

Yours sincerely,

Jane, Martin & Emma Gower
(Local residents)