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Dear Sir Mr Weadon,

When I visited Wisbech for the first time before moving in, two things surprised me. The amount of traffic on the A47 at any time of the day and the big signs of all shapes and sizes opposing to the Medworth Incinerator.

At the beginning I thought that the opposition to the incinerator had not much base, but after investigating the details, the impacts and living in Wisbech for the past year I have come to the conclusion that the Medworth project is not right for the area and the benefits to the community are none existent.

My main objections and comments are:

- There would be a significant increase on the number of lorries coming to and crossing through Wisbech on a daily basis, which would cause the pollution levels to be even higher than they are now and in parallel raising the risk to pedestrians and bike riders.
- The road infrastructure around Wisbech cannot cope with more traffic or is prepared to support additional heavy vehicles. Traffic is exacerbated by the choke points that the River Nene and the draining canals naturally produce around the road infrastructure. Additionally there are frequent accidents on the A47 which close the road for many hours as it lacks the room for supporting break down vehicles or maintenance crews and equipment. According to the applicant, they would only use the A47 to come into Wisbech. This will not be enforced and thus lorries would come through any available route, which includes going onto unsuitable roads and streets for lorries.
- It puts Wisbech Rail efforts under threat.
- It is projected to be built on a floodplain, which will stress and modify existent defences and management arrangements, increasing the flood risk in the area.
- Apart from a diverse fauna and flora that will be affected by the additional acoustic, visual, and general pollution, there are 3 endangered and protected species on the proposed site. Also the increase of heavy industry vs rural industry will adversely effect nature.
- The proposed site is extremely close to a secondary school and several primary schools. It is also very close to housing estates, factories producing food, arable

fields and Wisbech town centre. The existent level of industry is just the maximum a place like Wisbech can sustain.

- Major factories have said they don't support the incinerator or will use the produced energy. No benefits and more impact on them would probably mean they may reconsider Wisbech for their operations and that would cause job losses.
- An incinerator has recently been passed in Boston, which is 30 miles away, and there is also an incinerator in Peterborough. There is no need for another incinerator locally which is clearly not appropriate for the area or directly benefiting it.

Please let the pulse of the population, objection by local government and businesses, and general common sense prevail and not give permission for this project.

Kind Regards,

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