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Sent: 13 November 2023 11:07
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Subject: Medworth Incinerator EN010110

Dear Minister,

I write asking for you to refuse permission for the Medworth Incinerator EN010110. I write as a businessman, farmer and conservationist. There is no sense in incinerating rubbish in an era where we are trying to reduce air pollution to stop climate change. Incinerators sadly do not burn at an adequate temperature to remove all the harmful contaminants that are emitted. Indeed, it is only in recent years when better detectors have been used that the level of microscopic pollution has been discovered. These contaminants are not only harmful to the environment, they are also carcinogenic. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I can only say that any risk of carcinogens being released in these quantities is criminal.

When the original incinerator was proposed for King's Lynn I was actually for the scheme as I have always hated the fact mankind buries vast quantities in land fill. However, when I attended a very early meeting between the council and local landowners we all asked the

same question. Have you considered what is being emitted, where it will be deposited and what are the long term effects on people, nature and pollution of land? I vividly remember the answer of the County and Borough councillors at the time which was “ We haven’t really considered that yet.” Such was the pressure on the County Council at the time to move away from landfill they hadn’t considered the long term consequences of their actions. Sadly, I still think politicians do not look at the long term and I believe anyone considering incineration at a time of global air pollution is myopic beyond belief.

There is actually no way of knowing what will be emitted from an incinerator as no one knows what people are putting in their household waste, so no one knows precisely what is being burnt. That is a fact acknowledged by the King’s Lynn Incinerator Inquiry. It raises the question do the Conservatives really want to be remembered as the party that made people ill and rendered vast swathes of land unproductive because the level of carcinogens in the soil found in the future prohibited farming?

Please make your decision with a view beyond 5 years.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Brown

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