

**PROPOSED USE OF KENT STREET MUST BE CHALLENGED AND REFUSED**

The only reason provided by the Applicant for choosing the Oakendene site was that it enabled construction traffic to have site access directly from the A272, as opposed to using Wineham Lane. Latest data submitted by the Applicant now shows 1320 2-way HGV movements and 838 2-way LGV movements weekly along Kent Street **INSTEAD OF DIRECTLY OFF THE A272**. This contradiction must be challenged and the option of abusing Kent Street refused.

Kent Street is a restricted width, single track lane with only occasional parking spaces. Ditches close to the lane are hazardous for drivers without local knowledge - a loaded horse lorry ended on its side in a ditch when letting someone pass, fortunately no horses were killed. The lane has extremely high amenity value to dog walkers, cyclists and horse-riders given the low and slow traffic volumes, and qualifies for Quiet Lane status (with support confirmed from our Horsham District Councillor and Cowfold Parish Council). It is used as a connecting route between multiple footpaths and bridleways enjoyed by local residents and visitors. The proposed site access bellmouth on Kent Street will cause a long and permanent scarring of what is a beautiful lane edged with mature oak trees and blackthorn hedging, home to a number of owls and buzzards, regularly seen flying over the lane.

Thank you for your focus on this.