Dear sirs,

I am a resident of Kent Street in Cowfold and as such will be highly impacted by the Rampion 2 proposals to build a substation at Oakendene.

Looking at some of the proposed solutions that Rampion are putting forward as a traffic management plan for Kent Street and the A272 show no understanding of the area or the people who use the lane. When you take into account that it is just not how their vehicles will arrive and leave from the site but how they will interact with the local traffic and the numerous other groups that use Kent Street on a daily basis, such as horse riders, cyclists, runners. dog walkers, pedestrians and numerous delivery drivers who are always in a hurry to make their quota of deliveries.

As for us residents trying to drive out of Kent Street which is a single track lane and having to pass these vehicles of various sizes with no passing places it will no doubt impact safety given the number of farm vehicles and horse boxes that use the lane. I can envisage that getting out of Kent Street will be so bad that we will end up driving the long way around (via Wineham lane) just to get to Cowfold to be then stuck in a traffic jam on the A272 caused by Rampion. If this was for a period of a couple of week then it could be tolerated but having this going on for many years is totally unacceptable.

We understand that Rampion just want approval for their project but they need to perform a proper survey of traffic levels and ecology including a prediction of future traffic levels for years to come given the increase in house building in the area.

Maybe after doing all of this they too might conclude that this proposal is in totally the wrong place and causing major issues to a rural community when there are more suitable alternatives not too far away.

Kind regards

Mr R Finley