

LTC Examination – Written Representation – Key Facts

Registration Identification number 20035375

Why Thurrock District Scout Council object to proposal:

Condovers Scout Activity Centre is located on the south side of Church Road between Cooper Shaw Road and Low Street Lane. Condovers is on the proposed secondary construction route, 50 metres from a secondary haul road and approximately 500 metres from the proposed route of LTC.

Thurrock District Scout Council (TDSC) do not support the current proposals for the construction of the LTC as it will have a major impact on Condovers peaceful rural setting within a heavily industrial Borough. TDSC are concerned about the impact on Condovers, during construction, as it does not have any indoor accommodation for sleeping, so our members **sleep in tents** which is impossible to insulate against an increased noise level.

The environmental impact on Condovers, especially relating to potential noise, air quality, and health impacts, during the 5-year construction programme and then operational running, could be huge. This could potentially result in partial closure of the site and a loss of a much-needed recreation facility within the Borough.

Any impact on the availability of this centre, through environmental damage (noise & air pollution), has the potential to impact the development of the youth living in the Borough of Thurrock.

Thurrock District Scout Council's major concerns are:

- Road safety of the proposed haul road off Church Road, going north to join Low Street Lane. This haul road junction is approximately 50 metres to the east of the entrance to Condovers, on the opposite side of the road.
- Noise and air quality impacts during construction and when operational.
- No apparent provision for noise barriers on the LTC viaduct over the Tilbury loop line.
- Confirmation that temporary diversions of footpaths are safe and suitable for groups of unaccompanied young people.
- Confirmation that Low Street Lane will be accessible, on foot, during construction as this also appears to be secondary access route for HGV's during construction?
- The proposed emergency and maintenance route, off Station Road doesn't result in the provision of another junction at this location to facilitate access to either a link road to Tilbury 2 port development or a service area or both.
- Creation of Tilbury Fields will result in a major change of visual outlook from Condovers.
- Why are the new public routes, in Tilbury Fields, being proposed as "accessible permissive routes" and not Public Rights of Ways?