Consultee response for application WP/20/00692/DCC from Portland Ward - Cllr Paul Kimber

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I wish to object to Planning Application WP/20/00692/DCC the following reasons:

Noise and disturbance,

Increased traffic through and on our main roads in Weymouth and Portland is already congested

Further lorries and construction will compound the queuing on the Beach Road during construction. In the mornings and evenings exhaust levels at Boot hill are already at dangerous levels.

I asked at Cabinet meeting recently, if the Wyke Regis by-pass will ever be built, the answer was no.

Portland Conservation areas.

The Jurassic Coastline around Portland is unique, and must be protected. This includes green areas on the Verne Common. With a major increase in traffic movements and HGV traffic through our conservation and residential areas this would be a negative impact on our communities. I already have major concerns personally about the fumes and exhaust fumes. With the extra 40 lorries a day and the construction this would be a very high price to pay.

The Stack.

Previously I used to work on boilers at engine plants when I was at sea. I must raise a concern about the height of the stack, I believe there is a danger of fumes and small particulate matter going over the prison and also onto the Verne Common and around the Grove. Unless the stack is raised a lot higher possibly 200 metres this will not clear the fumes and emissions from the media areas and I believe we will jeopardise the health of the people living in these areas and of the prison staff and inmates.

Heritage Buildings

As part of the Portland Building Preservation Trust, I am concerned that the emissions and pollutants from this proposal will adversely impact on these buildings. We are proud of our history and work hard to reclaim, maintain and look after these precious buildings.

Cllr Paul R Kimber