

My name is Craig Fuller.

██████████ has been my family's home for fifty-five years. It is where my sister and I grew up, learnt to drive, rode our first horses, and where my own children now enjoy the same countryside. Every field, footpath and lane is part of our lives. It is a remarkably quiet, heritage-rich landscape, and its soundscape is every bit as important as the landscape itself.

When we heard about this proposal, we were devastated, and we remain so. We never imagined that an industrial development on this scale could be imposed on this landscape and our community.

A sixty-year consent is not temporary—it spans generations. My children will be older than I am today before it ends. I have known several of the optioned landowners for over fifty years, and I do NOT believe they ever envisaged agreements leading to an industrial development lasting sixty years.

This is simply the wrong development,at the wrong scale,in the wrong place. It would industrialise a peaceful rural landscape that families have cherished for generations.

The impact on our home will be severe. The major construction compound for Sections A, B and C will sit on one side of our house, while the main cable route for all three sections will converge through the field on the other. We will be surrounded by industrial infrastructure.

The local road network is completely unsuitable. Although construction traffic will remain on the two principal, albeit challenging roads, road closures and traffic management will force residents, riders, cyclists and walkers onto narrow single-track lanes never designed for this level of traffic, greatly increasing the risk of accidents. It is not a question of whether accidents will happen, but when.

We have always had a steady stream of riders and cyclists passing our house every day throughout the year, enjoying this landscape as it was intended to be enjoyed. That will change. The Fosse Way will effectively become a no-go route for much of the construction period and beyond.

The junction at Ladyswood, beside an important stud with young foals, will become an extremely busy four-way junction. It is already a difficult junction where a single-track lane meets the Fosse Way, and the additional construction traffic will make it significantly more hazardous. The other route South through to Hullavington will also face major disruption from construction traffic from the A429.

This is not just about construction. Maintenance and eventual decommissioning mean disruption could continue for decades, yet there is still no clear explanation of how traffic movements will be monitored or restrictions and conditions effectively enforced.

Once this countryside is industrialised, there is no going back.

I ask you to look beyond the promises and the plans on paper. Think about the families who live here, the people who use these roads every day, and the irreversible impact this proposal will have on our homes, our countryside and

The decision you make today will shape this countryside not for a “contracted term” but FOREVER

Please, Please I beg you to refuse this application.