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Dear Planning Inspectorate

Ref: Planning Appeal Reference: CAS-01884-X4P5V8 and CAS-01852-Y1C3K9
Appellant: Caerphilly Skip Hire (CWS) Ltd
Location: Land at Graddfa Industrial Estate, Llanbradach.
Proposed Development: Obtain Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use of the land for the storage of skips
Planning Case Ref: 22/0031/REF and 21/0801/CLEU

With reference to the above appeal, I am writing to confirm that members of Llanbradach & Pwllypant Community Council unanimously object to the proposed development and remain steadfast in their decision and fully supportive of Caerphilly County Borough Council's refusal of certificate of lawfulness for an existing use of land for the storage of skips.

Llanbradach is a small quiet village within the Caerphilly borough and is mostly residential. It is a traditional long and narrow South Wales valley village with one main road through the village.

Caerphilly Skip Hire's expansion with increased capacity has already had a detrimental effect on village life with operations at the site starting as early as 5.00am with a cacophony of clanking chains, reversing sirens, shunting and skips being dragged along the ground.

NRW would have been made fully aware of the strength of feeling in the village, had they consulted with the Community Council and local residents, when agreeing to more than tripling the amount of waste Caerphilly Skip Hire can handle at the site, from 22,500 tonnes to 74,999 tonnes but as they put it, they were not legally required to do so.

Increasing the capacity has increased noise, dust and traffic. The highway cannot cope with increased volume of traffic of HGVs in an already congested area and the surface of the roads have been impacted whereby heavy skips are offloaded onto the road and dragged along Colliery Road, a public highway, for an easier manoeuvre.

We have received extensive complaints from residents in relation to the increased noise and dust generated from this increased operation.

It does not just affect one or two persons but many residents living close to the site and those living along the main roads who complain that they can feel the vibrations through the foundations of their homes from the heavy vehicles passing by. Whilst the vibration may not jeopardise the building's structural integrity and the movement might be minimal, human perception of motion is significant and it is very disturbing to the occupants.

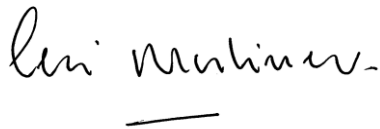
The relentless daily grind contributes to considerable hidden suffering with increased levels of stress, anxiety and depression experienced through disturbed sleep. Having to complain is exhausting and draining. All of which can lead to long term physical and mental health conditions.

Our residents have a basic right to quiet enjoyment which this increased operation does not allow.

Please can a copy of your decision be emailed to mortic1@caerphilly.gov.uk

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Mortimer', with a horizontal line underneath.

C Mortimer
Clerk to the Council