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Land off, Wrekin Course, Wellington Road, Wellington, Telford, Shropshire

Construction of a new carpark with 40 spaces and hardstanding to site a mobile cafe
(Amended plans received)

Response submitted online 13 June 2012

Thank you for your letter informing us of amended plans for this application. The changes do not alter the fundamental issues with this application and lack of support which it has among most members of the Wrekin Forest Partnership. The Shropshire Hills AONB Partnership's objection therefore still stands. The agent's additional letter correctly identifies that the development site itself lies outside the Shropshire Hills AONB (though I do not work for Natural England). The site is however immediately adjacent to the AONB, and completely linked with it, being intended to influence visitor management on the Wrekin. The high potential for unintended consequences of the development could well result in harm to the AONB, and I reiterate that the proposal does not fit well with the strategic approaches to traffic and visitor management in this sensitive location which are being taken forward by other partners. Again we urge that the application is withdrawn and further discussions are held with the Wrekin Forest Partnership on how to progress.

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