

Written submission from Mr Andrew Ramsay & Mrs Sarah Ramsay

As a Tadley resident and an AWE worker, I sincerely hope you approve the proposal. In the interim between the objections relating to the lack of emergency procedures, Sainsbury's has been asked what, if any emergency procedures are in place. The in store staff had no clue. When approached for a written response, no evidence could be found in support of a viable emergency plan within the reply.

The same was true of Budgens store which situated directly on the fence line of AWE within the Falcon Shell petrol station, when they were approached with the same query.

The advice provided by AWE to local residents such as myself, in the highly unlikely event of a radiation leak (in the form of Alpha particulates into the atmosphere) would be to shelter inside, closing windows and doors.

Alpha particulates are only an internal hazard, if inhaled, ingested or injected.

Gamma radiation (as is the hazard at power plants such as Fukushima or Chernobyl) poses absolutely no risk to the proposed site or the local residents.

As the population of Tadley continues to grow, we need the infrastructure to support this. The recent C19 restrictions have highlighted the pressure which a moderately sized single supermarket has placed upon it attempting to supply a population which has increased by nearly 50% since it was constructed.

Tadley is not an affluent town, and the most financially vulnerable have little or no choice other than shop at Sainsbury's or local convenience stores - especially with government advice currently to avoid public transport wherever possible.

Those lucky enough to have their own transportation, are increasing carbon emissions and congestion with needless journeys into Basingstoke, Reading or Newbury to avoid paying the higher prices of Sainsbury's.

Local government have a duty to reduce carbon emissions wherever possible. This is an obvious example of where such reductions are possible.

Lastly, I would urge you to consider the local employment opportunities this proposal will bring to the local area, which will have a positive effect on the local economy and taxation.