

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Joanna Vincent](#)
Subject: Ellenbrook Fields
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Dear Joanna,

I wish to place my objection to the new plans proposed by Brett Aggregates in relation to the application to quarry on Ellenbrook Fields / Former Hatfield Aerodrome.

My objections include the following points:

- The development will result in a permanent and irrevocable reduction in green space to the community, which is one of the largest dedicated spaces in the area. Not just for a few years but for decades and future generations to come
- The proposals in the latest brochure by Brett Aggregates do not provide attractive and unfettered access for the local community, despite what is 'promised'. At its basic level, a suggestion that a quarry is going to provide the local community with a pleasant walking area is risible.
 - The proposed paths are far too narrow and will become impassible in winter months and/or rainy weather when they get clogged with mud, especially when rain cascades down the enclosing bunds
 - No amount of 'window dressing' will remove the dust and air pollution along these paths, nor remove the fact that the footpaths will be close to the quarry and heavy machinery and therefore pose a potential health and safety risk
 - There will be little or no pleasant view along the paths, with limited greenery and wildlife
 - The existing paths are wide, and the open spaces allow for both bike and foot access and a useful amenity for dog walkers. The new plans will kettle all parties into a very enclosed space which could cause injuries and will speed up the deterioration of the paths
- I would like to know what legal enforcement and penury damages procedures will be put in place to ensure that Brett Aggregates cannot use legalise to renege on promises made regarding the community space? The site was previously supposed to have been made into a community park area during the original De Havilland development but this never happened and the community has lost out to the greed of the developers
- I have seen their existing quarry site and I would challenge anyone to say that they provide an attractive walk - a combination of heavy mud, dying trees, what clearly looks like polluted water in the large existing lagoons, and a general feeling of neglect and decay.

Finally, and on a personal level, I use the existing green space every single week for both exercise and for mental health reasons. This space was invaluable during the Covid-19 pandemic, when I used Ellenbrook Fields on a daily basis to help with my mental health. It is not too much of exaggeration to say that, had this close-by amenity not been available, I may not have been alive to type and send this email. Just thinking about the elimination of this space is making my mental health spiral downwards and I urge you to reject the latest plans proposed in their entirety.

Please confirm receipt of this email.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Hill FCA