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To: [Joanna Vincent](#)
Subject: Objection to the Revised Public Access Strategy – Ellenbrook Fields Quarry Inquiry
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Dear Programme Officer,

As a local resident [REDACTED] I am writing to strongly object to the revised Public Access Strategy submitted by Brett Aggregates for the Ellenbrook Fields quarry proposal.

Ellenbrook Fields is an incredibly important open space for many of us who live nearby. It is one of the few places where people can walk freely across a large open landscape, whether that's families like mine with both children and dogs, cyclists, runners, or people simply enjoying the space and wildlife.

The revised strategy does not, in my view, maintain the convenient and attractive cross-park access that currently exists.

One of the most valued routes today is the old concrete taxiway, which is widely used because it provides a wide, firm surface suitable for cyclists, wheelchair users, and people with pushchairs like myself [REDACTED]. It also remains usable throughout the year, even during wet winter months. The proposal would remove most of this route and replace it with narrower gravel or grass paths. These types of surfaces frequently become muddy and difficult to use in winter, which would significantly reduce accessibility for many users.

The proposed routes also appear to place walkers and cyclists alongside quarry workings, vehicle routes, and high earth bunds. These bunds are described as several metres high and would significantly change the character of the experience, creating enclosed corridors rather than the open landscape people currently enjoy. This would not provide the "attractive and unfettered" access that the park currently offers and I don't want to be channelled like this when I walk the dog!

Another concern is the proposed layout around the lagoons. The plans show only a narrow grass path between the lagoons. In wet conditions this type of route is likely to become muddy and difficult to use, forcing people to take longer diversions around the site which I don't have time for! This would make it much harder to travel directly across the park between areas such as Ellenbrook, Salisbury Village and Smallford.

At present, one of the great strengths of Ellenbrook Fields is that we can move easily across the park in multiple directions without barriers or complicated diversions in place. The proposed strategy would replace this with narrower, constrained routes bordered by fencing, bunds, lagoons and quarry activity. This would fundamentally change the experience of the park and reduce the freedom that we currently enjoy.

For these reasons, I do not believe the revised Public Access Strategy provides convenient or attractive cross-park access during the operational life of the quarry, and I therefore ask that it is not accepted in its current form.

Thank you for considering my objection.

Regards,



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