

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Joanna Vincent](#)
Subject: Proposed quarrying at Ellenbrook Fields formerly Hatfield Airodrome - Brett Aggregates
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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to express my concerns about the issue of public access and enjoyment of Ellenbrook Fields should quarrying be granted.

Since purchasing my property in [REDACTED], Smallford in 2017 my wife and I have had the pleasure of being able to make use of Ellenbrook Fields for our regular walks.

I have read the latest response posted by Brett Aggregates but am not reassured that what they say will prove possible once excavation starts on site.

We all need to be concerned at the Health & Safety issues that will arise in the operation of a heavy industrial site. This will begin with the construction of the processing plant area and the access road from Hatfield Road. The only safe way for pedestrians to be separated from heavy traffic on the access road would be via a footbridge provided with ramped access at each end for the benefit of disabled people. Any other suggestion results in accidents waiting to happen. Fences and gates do NOT solve the problem.

Should planning consent be finally granted, who will be responsible for policing the activities of the contractors on an ongoing basis? It is easy to put ideas on a sheet of paper but far harder and more costly to accommodate the kind of joint use of the area that is being suggested. From a cost limiting standpoint, the contractors are likely to look for ways of limiting outlay that does not directly relate to their quarrying activities. What penalties might be imposed for any breaches of agreement?

It would be wishful thinking to believe that the operation of a commercial quarry could be anything other than an industrial site which could not possibly be masked satisfactorily.

In my opinion, the Minister was right to be concerned and I hope that my concerns and those of others will be fully taken into account.

Yours faithfully,

David Stuart-King,

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