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Dear Sir/Madam

### **Planning Application Ref 19/000053/cm**

I sent this email previously but received no acknowledgement, so am re-sending. My apologies if you have had this twice but it's extremely important that messages of opposition be seen and noted.

I am emailing to register my strong objection to the proposed sand and gravel quarry at Lea Castle Farm. In fact, 'object' is nowhere near strong enough to convey how repulsed I am that this has even progressed to proposal at all!

**The area proposed will affect at least the current FIVE schools** (4 primary and 1 high) within close proximity. Not only through damaging air pollution and quality but in terms of direct safety of children travelling to and from school along a narrow pavement next to an already very busy narrow road with large sand and gravel lorries.

**The area proposed will affect a huge number of households on all sides all within unacceptably close proximity to the proposed site.**

**The local road infrastructure is NOT equipped for this type of transport.** We have been told that lorries will only turn 'left' out of the site entrance/exit but how on earth is this likely to be enforced? In any case The roads are not wide enough and are constantly in a state of needing repair. The medium term costs and consequences are ridiculously high for an already beleaguered county purse.

**The traffic light junction at the Wolverley Road/Wolverhampton road is the site of a very high number of accidents.** Introduce a load of large trucks trying

are these developments going to succeed in the face of a quarry in their back gardens? It's already bad enough that there will be increased traffic on already busy road networks in the area thanks to development in the first place.

**This is green belt.** It's bad enough that green belt is being unnecessarily sacrificed for housing in an area that people travel to as tourists, and the associated jobs, money and value that brings, it's shocking that no one seems to acknowledge the importance of retaining it.

Whilst it states that the land will be **filled in with waste** ('inert' basically just being a broad term for any old rubbish) and turned into a nature reserve, how is this to happen and be guaranteed for the future when the land itself is only to be rented from the owner, not purchased?

There is not only a large, established caravan and camping park but a number of pubs and other businesses that will be adversely affected. Horse riding stables, old peoples' residences, one private school – all of which will suffer. Who the hell for example, is going to pay to send their child to a private school next to a quarry?

**The mental as well as physical health** of local residence is threatened. So many homes and households will be directly and indirectly affected by noise, pollution, traffic and loss of local landscape for walking, running, horse-riding.

**These are villages with businesses** relying on people visiting to come to Kinver, Bewdley, Cookley and Wolverley themselves.

**Loss of habitat** for an area where Red Kite nest each year as well as so much other wildlife who's habitat is already threatened by housing.

I would suggest that this proposal be halted immediately. The financial impact on the local area would be immense. The personal impact, immeasurable.

Your sincerely

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