

I write to object to the planning application for a proposed quarry at Lea Castle, Cookley.

I moved to Cookley 6 years ago to bring my children up in a healthier environment, on the green belt. We lived near a busy double lane road with industrial units at the end of our road. I didn't make that move to be pushed out of a lovely village.

I am a runner as well a keen walker, we are an active family with a dog who requires lots of exercise. We use the proposed site area daily; It's a favourite route for access to the park and well-being. It is ludicrous to locate a quarry here, I feel it is totally inappropriate.

I am concerned about the obvious statistics linked to silica dust;

Research has shown that these particles can degrade air quality as far as 750 meters away, leading to a variety of serious health problems, particularly in children and other vulnerable populations. I live at the top of Castle Road, within the 750 metres.

Silicosis usually develops after being exposed to silica for 10-v

Repeated exposure to silica dust is just when we are coming out of the exposure to.

Are you aware of the health risks? Are you conscious?

Silica exposures kill people. Local residents would be

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at risk to earn a living.

It is a tragedy that the local community is being asked to support a quarry.

I'm concerned for the wildlife and eco-systems. In these times where we are trying

A quarry at the proposed site will be absolutely devastating for the village, the surrounding area and its people.

Regards,

Lorna Richards