

Address: The Barn, 10A Barnsley Road Huddersfield hd8 8xg

About the application

Application number: 2023/91280	
What is the application for?:	Quarrying operations for the extraction of clay, shale and incidental coal and s
Address of the site or building:	Bromley Farm Quarry, Barnsley Road, Upper Cumberworth, Huddersfield, HD8 8PD
Postcode:	S36 4HG

User comments

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I live on Barnsley Road and my children go to Cumberworth first school. Firstly to have a quarry located so close to a school and a church that will produce no end of noise and dust for 25 years is ridiculous, but that's the best case scenario. The quarry is wanting to be placed on a high risk coal area, which means potential for harmful gases to be released and explosions, and given the track record at the Wavin complex in Crow Edge and indeed their other complex where large fires break out due to their lack of concern for health and safety and environmental procedures I have no faith that this company will keep our children safe from potential harm for the next 25 years.

I have lived on Barnsley road for 12 years and can tell you what effect living near a quarry has on the residents and the roads. The loud noise comes and goes dependant on which machines are being used but the constant background noise is always there. PMW quarry is a smaller outfit yet still causes enough problems for it to be more than a bit inconvenient. There is enough HGVs at the moment that causes havoc at the sovereign junction and the petrol station. There is always a backlog of cars at rush hour and you could be sat for 20 mins in 30 car queue and that's without HGVs adding to the traffic. It can take me 4 minutes in the morning to just pull my car onto Barnsley road due to the amount of current traffic.

The sovereign end of Barnsley road right down to The Star Pub has dry stone walls and a 10 ft drop in places, this wall has fallen down and taken the pavement with it into that 10ft drop on numerous occasions the most recent being 2 months ago. The cracks on the road are large and HGVs are hurtling down the roads in large numbers at 60 mph is causing the road and wall to move in a way that it is not equipped to handle. Adding another 120 HGVs a day is only going to increase the road and wall movement making the council's repair bill astronomical. Barnsley road is also a prime bus route for children to pick up the bus to Scissett and Shelly. Children cross the road to the bus stops and walkers use the public footpaths which cross the road in several places, adding extra traffic is just asking for an accident to happen.

The council has just spent 2 weeks putting in new drains outside my property because guess what the HGVs and quarry had blocked the drains so much with dirt and silt it was flooding houses. This cannot be avoided. We live on a hill everything runs down hill and will eventually pool on a flat surface. This will be the same for the new quarry further down Barnsley road. The HGVs spill so much and drag it with their tyres it's only a matter of time before residents get affected.

Lastly the tip road is completely unsuitable for HGVs. A HGV cannot turn with standstill traffic one side of the road which happens all the time when you have to queue an hour to use the tip. There is only room for 1 vehicle at the entrance which means traffic will have to queue along the main road and bring it all to a standstill every 6 minutes, and placing a new entrance on Cumberworth Lane just isn't doable. It will affect Cumberworth and the surrounding villages and everyone who uses the tip if this goes ahead and there is no benefit to anyone but Wavin. It would be putting corporate profit before the welfare of residents.