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Dear Professor Snowling,

I am writing to let you know my grave concerns about the proposed quarry site on Wasperton Farm, Warwickshire. I am not sure if you quite realise how close it is to our village (Barford) – it will be less than 400 meters away. You can understand as a mum of 2 young children I can't understand how a mineral extraction quarry could be put there?

There are major health hazards with dust that a quarry would make. The wind would literally cast these dangerous dust particles to where we live, where my children go to school and where they play in the playgrounds at school and after school in our lovely park. A mineral extraction quarry will literally ruin all the lives of the people who live here. There is evidence that the dust from quarries can cause silicosis and other respiratory illnesses and make asthma worse. Is St John's College prepared to gamble the lives of all these children who may one day want to go to University?

St John's college claims to have outstanding environmental policies and aims to be seen as a green institution. I don't think it can claim to be a 'green' when the college is prepared to lease its land to a company that will not only destroy grade 2 agricultural land, but play Russian roulette with the lives of all its residents.

This awful situation would be taken away by the college not allowing the land to be used for the mineral extraction. You have the power to stop this, please make the right decision.

Thank you for taking the time to hear my concerns.

Yours sincerely