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Dear Professor Snowling

re: Warwickshire County Council Local Minerals Plan

As a (long standing) resident of Barford, I am writing to you personally to express my disbelief and dismay at St John's College's attitude to the desecration of our rural environment, particularly bearing in mind that your College website states "St John's takes every opportunity to reduce its environmental impact".

Yet you continue to support Warwickshire County Council in their desire to include this site in their Local Minerals Plan.

The words ring hollow to the ears of residents such as myself who have enjoyed the rural landscape and associated benefits and had hoped that this would continue for future generations, especially our vulnerable children.

I further note, Professor Snowling, that you are closely involved in the "Inspire" programme for able pre GCSE students in the South of England and I quote:

" I am delighted that the College is now able to extend its outreach programmes to Year 9 students through this exciting new initiative. St John's wishes to do all it can to widen access to higher education and to encourage all students to aim high and to believe in their potential to achieve. "

St John's College President, Professor Margaret Snowling

We too have able and inspired students at our local school, but unfortunately for them, the blight of the Sand and Gravel Quarry and its attendant environmental problems, may not ensure that they can also achieve their potential.

I would ask you to consider the impact that this Quarry could have on our younger generation and to do all that you can as Principal of the College and also as someone deeply involved with the education of children, to withdraw this site from the Minerals Plan.

Yours sincerely

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