Mr Neil Furber Landscape Expert Evidence 14/11/24

STOP LEA CASTLE FARM QUARRY - 2nd Public enquiry 14/11/24

I attended Lea Castle Farm Quarry - 2nd Public Enquiry on the this morning 14/11/24

I would like to submit 3 questions to Mr Neil Furber evidence, which have risen from the evidence he gave today.

Mr Furber introduced himself with a long line of qualifications and experiences that he has within his field. He said he was now employed with Pegasus Group.

1) Mr Neil Furber was asked by Ms Wiggle if he had came across any bridal paths that were near to a quarry and that the Conveyer was positioned under a bridal path and horse and riders still can use these bridal paths.

Question?

How many horse and riders use this bridal path that the conveyer goes under the bridle path?

Did Mr Neil Furber ever return to these sites to get feedback on what his evidence has given to the community?

In his experience was there any accident with a horse or riders near to these bridal paths?

And was there an increase in horses illnesses by traveling near a sand and gravel quarry?

2) Mr Furber explained that the site will be restored and will have visual improvements Trees flowers and hedges and everything beautiful.

Question?

If this is true then can Mr Furber explain that if the NRS Aggregates propose to take out 3million Tons of sand and gravel and replace it with 1.6million tons of Landfill then the maths surely shows a considerable Shortfall thus leaving huge holes on the landscape, which means Holes are NOT OPEN SPACE and therefore I feel it's just Sales talk to aquire their end goals.

3) At no time did Mr Furber talk about water which is concerning, as greenbelt can store thousands of gallons in a 1,000 meter square which him being an expert in Landscaping would know this.

Question?

Where does he think the surplus water will go, into the rivers, which will contaminate our water, or into these big holes that they are not filling thus it could be running down the hill straight into COOKLEY and flooding all the houses, as Cookley has a very old drainage system which rain water can be quite troublesome.

I have observed the Experts evidence on both sides of this Enquiry and found that yes they can present a good lot of facts and figures and talk a good talk. However and both sides are selling.

I have no letters after my name but I had the best training in sales you could ask for I know when to use key words, find their need, show the benefits and ask open questions, but what I was also taught from my sales managers was Read between the lines Sheila and recognize what they are not telling you and their lies the truth.

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