QUARRY LIAISON EXTRAORDINARY MEETING NOTES: 24/05/2024

As we discussed at the recent parish council meeting, I attended Breedon's Extraordinary liaison meeting yesterday morning at 10am via Teams.

On the call were Maria Cotton, Gary Bannister, Neil McBride, Ashley Baxter and various representatives of local parish councils.

We learnt very little new about the plans for the quarry which remain the same as what we have previously been told. The plans for the processing plant remain in the north west corner with the nearest properties in West Deeping some '250m away'.

We were told about the plans for the public consultation which start with a webinar on the 5th June between 6 and 7pm which you have to register to 'attend' on Eventbrite. This will compose about a 15 minute presentation followed by 45 minutes of questions.

This will be followed on the 10th June by a presentation in the village hall from 10-8. Where again you have to register to attend at a time slot on Eventbrite. We were told there will be 25 places at each hourly time slot, however it turns out when I've registered this morning that this was incorrect and that the time slots are 1.5 hours and are spaced 2 hours apart. So the 250 people that we were told could attend now seems to be 125 people. I will be emailing Maria about this this morning.

I think that it is important that we have at least one of us at each time slot and graham and I have registered for the 10-11.30 a lot. Perhaps we can coordinate the other slots that are available via email?

Ashley asked the question of Maria as to whether if the overwhelming public opinion was against the quarry what would Breedon do and Maria said that they would submit it anyway...!

On a separate note, we have managed to get invited to speak to the Environment and Scrutiny Committee at their meeting on Tuesday where they are discussing the latest draft for 'Updating the Minerals and Waste local plan'.

In the draft is included SG17 and it is our goal to try and get the councillors to make a recommendation to the executive that this is unsafe and remove it from the list of preferred sites. I will let you know how it goes, but I'm sure you can watch via the website or attend in the public gallery if you wish.

Feel free to fire any questions you have at me.

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