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The online campaign to stop sand and gravel quarrying in Pentney village

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PENTNEY CHILDREN: “STOP PLAYING GAMES WITH OUR FUTURE”

Village children speak out and voice their concerns over gravel quarry health issues.

Children in the west Norfolk village of Pentney took to the streets on Thursday 8th May 2008 wearing gas masks in an effort to highlight the potential health risks associated with the MIN93 gravel quarry proposal, which extends right into the heart of the community.

One of the girls involved in the protest said “I already have asthma, and breathing the fumes from lorries, diggers and machines will make it worse”.

Her friends rallied around, while another demanded to know “Who gave them the right to play games with our future?”

Cliff Smalley, chairman of the Save Pentney Action Group said “It’s every parent’s right to hand down a healthy and attractive environment as an inheritance to their children. Sadly that right is being stolen away from the people of Pentney”.

He added “We’re all happy to enjoy the benefits of mineral extraction in the construction of roads and buildings, but Norfolk is a very large place with many wide open spaces. All we ask is that they leave our village alone and extract the minerals from a site that won’t destroy people’s lives”.

Actor, author and local resident, Stephen Fry has added his support to the campaign to save Pentney by saying “It is as if Pentney is being encircled by aliens and it is surely time to stop and leave poor Pentney be.”

The website, www.SavePentney.co.uk was set up by local resident Sam Knox to give the people of Pentney village a single unified voice with which to make their opinions and feelings about the MIN93 quarry proposal heard by a worldwide audience. The site features an uncensored public forum where comments and opinions are invited from supporters and opposition alike.

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