2nd May 2022

Dear Residents,

I have received quite a few emails from residents regarding the possible opening of the quarry in Gayles and I thought it would a good idea write to you all setting out my position.

I have taken a sounding not just in Gayles, but also the surrounding area and residents do not want the quarry to reopen. And I would not either if I lived locally.

I have already spent time with NYCC Highways to seek their view on the roads, which if it goes ahead, will clearly have a huge increase in HGV traffic for which they were never designed.

The suggestion from the potential applicant that they would rebuild the road from the proposed quarry out of the main road is simply a smoke screen. It will benefit them and no one else.

If re-elected, I will have an early site meeting with Highway's Officers to find their view as things stand and to represent you the residents in a full campaign for the proposal to be rejected. Remember because this is a minerals and waste application, it will be determined by the County Planning Committee, not RDC. I will therefore ask for an early site meeting with Officers from NYCC.

I have been up to Gayles Hall, where Jo Newton has showed me the proposed site just out the back of their home. I am fully behind residents who want this proposal to be declined and will do my upmost in this respect if reelected.

If you have an email address could kindly email me simply saying hello at cllr.angus.thompson@northyorks.gov.uk as this will make it easier for me to keep all residents updated.

It goes without saying that your vote for me on Thursday would be much appreciated as I can only progress further on this matter if re-elected.

Best wishes.

Angus Thompson County Councillor