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To: <u>Joanna Vincent</u>

Subject: Hertfordshire Mineral Local Plan **Date:** 30 November 2021 12:17:56

Dear Joanna Vincent

I have learnt, with some concern, about plans to extract gravel from a polluted area of Hatfield, for which a consultation period expires today. Although not personally affected, living in Harpenden,. I am interested in the general protection of the environment and the health of the community.

It appears that the location selected for gravel extraction is highly polluted by bromate, which would contaminate the local water supply if extraction is allowed to proceed. It appears that there is a more suitable site in the East of the county, where the owners have already given permission for extraction.

I write as a retired research statistician, and member of patient groups, including NW Herts Community Health Council, since 1975. You will have more informed comments from residents in the Hatfield area, but I trust that all views will be taken into account.

Yours sincerely

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