

Submission against Angus place Colliery PA06-0021 Modification 4

I object to the Angus place Colliery Modification 4 proposal for a number of reasons:

*The proposal is only small but will set a precedent that allows mining that will certainly damage the sensitive Carne Creek catchment which contains the best wetland areas on the Newnes plateau.

*Carne Creek's water is pristine at present and to prevent it from becoming like the Wolgan River, which is discoloured and has reduced flows, mining should not be allowed.

*The Modification 4 proposal should either be refused or at least deferred until the major mine extension for Angus Place is considered and determined by the Planning Assessment Commission

*Centennial Coal is applying for wider longwalls which if allowed would set a precedent and would force the Planning Assessment Commission to allow similar sizes for the large proposal

* I feel that this proposal, the third in two months ,shows that Centennial Coal has no appreciation of the environmental significance of the area and is determined to mine whatever the consequences for the Gardens of Stone or biodiversity in the region.

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