

Natalie Mitchell - Fwd: Re: Your online Submission

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My name is Arthur Harris I moved here in 1972 formerly of Millfield
 Since I've moved here over the years I have run cattle on this particular site called Huntlee. In the 38 years I've lived here I have seen several floods large and small over the particular site. 1974 being the biggest flood out there over the area they want to develop.

These particular sites had mine subsidence fall- ins. While I was working out there checking my cattle I found them and reported them to mine subsidence who then
 Contacted Staceys earthmoving in Cessnock and they filled them up with old chitter and whatever they could to dump down the holes. This happened on numerous occasions.

In June 2007 we had a hell'va storm here which flooded a fair amount of that particular area plus nearby vineyards that went under and it took boundary fences cattle and the clean up took months . In my opinion this site is totally unsuitable
 to put a housing development that this company proposes to do which would be enormously unfair to any families wanting to build there. As is common knowledge flood insurance in virtually impossible to get.

As far as infrastructure goes in this area there is virtually none. Public transport is non existent. Branxton is chock a block full of vehicles now so where are the extra number of vehicles in the area going to go. Their argument that the Hunter Expressway is coming through, and it is anyone's guess if it will ever be completed, for this type of development to exist.

The other factor is there is a waste material dump in the old tailings cells in the Ayrefield site which was on fire through combustion heating from the type of waste materials that was dumped there. This dump was managed by a chap from Newcastle to the best of my knowledge who didn't mind what sort of rubbish they dumped

My understanding while working there a lot of BHP waste was dumped there other rubbish dumped there was broken glass, charity clothes by the semi truckload, treated power poles, drums of old oils and I could go on for ever.

A few years ago this particular dump caught on fire and cost approximately \$3million to extinguish and one fire that is still burning underneath.

In my opinion this type of development is financially and totally unsuitable to all those concerned including all Rate payers in the Cessnock and Singleton district at present and in the future.

PS someone has to pay
 Yours sincerely
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 Concerned citizen.
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