

**To:** [Gen Seed](#)  
**Subject:** Brandy Hill Quarry Expansion  
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Dear Genevieve,

I am a resident of Brandy Hill Drive at the top end near Clarence Town Road and I am very concerned about the submissions Hanson has proposed for the expansion of the Quarry.

As a resident of this beautiful area we live in, my concerns are truck noise, increased dust levels, truck speed along Brandy Hill Drive, heavy vehicle vibrations and safety for all residents of Brandy Hill. I believe our quality of life and rural living experiences will be negatively affected by the expansion of the Quarry as suggested.

On many occasions we have experienced the issues I have referred to first hand and with the suggested increase traffic of 30 trucks per hour, that is 1 truck every 2 minutes going past our front door, quality of life would be degraded.

Brandy Hill is a high end residential property area, consisting mostly of large blocks. This area is sold as a quiet residential living area and as such attract higher prices per block, most a million plus, with the proposed expansion, the property values will be declined. Brandy hill has always maintained strong capital growth and we would envisage that it would remain this way, however, studies show that when traffic increases house values drop, and people often will not purchase a property that is adversely effected by traffic noise.

The expansion proposal, will have a negative economic impact on residents owning properties at Brandy Hill. Decreased property values will be experienced by property owners who have invested time and money into their homes in the past and possibly intend to invest further in the future. Despite these investments, the property value will decline with proposed increased impacts of quarry traffic which will result in increased difficulty in selling our properties. Why should residents have their right to a fair price for their property removed and for what, corporate profit?

With the increased traffic, noise and dust levels, residents will be forced to close their doors and windows preventing cross ventilation which would require the use of air conditioners, thus increasing the cost of electricity. Home maintenance would also be increased as the dirt and diesel emissions further increase on paintwork and outdoor living spaces. This has already been noted with the water use restrictions and increase in quarry traffic over the past 3 or 4 years. Residents may require the installation of soundproofing and double glazing to reduce the increased intrusive and offensive noise levels. For those residents that are light sleepers, they would be subject to sleep deprivation due to the increased noise and vibration levels.

I think the residents are currently accommodating neighbours to the existing quarry, as we are currently comforted by the fact that noise from the quarry is heavily limited in the evening which allows residents a level of amenity and minimises overnight disruptions to families. Should 24 hour operations be approved, it will have a substantial negative impact on surrounding residents and their quality of life.

Kind Regards