Group ID: 422

Consent name: Fulton Hogan - Roydon Quarry

Consent number: CRC192408, CRC192409, CRC192410, CRC192411, CRC192412, CRC192413, CRC192414, RC185627

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Consent support/hearing details

- CRC192408: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC192409: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC192410: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC192411: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC192412: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC192413: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- CRC192414: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing
- RC185627: oppose | NOT to be heard | will NOT consider joint hearing

Reasons comment:
I am making this submission because I live in Templeton and consider it to be a lovely small town on the outskirts of Christchurch. My family moved here when I was in my early teens; my parents remain in the same house some 25 years on. At that time, we moved from the typical hustle and bustle for a quiet semi-rural lifestyle. My husband also grew up in Templeton. We both value the safe and clean environment Templeton has to offer and almost 10 years ago chose to return to raise our own young family with children now attending the local primary school and kindergarten. The length of the consent applied for is for 35 years. How can Templeton be expected to live beside, breathe and eat quarry activity for the next 35 years without being adversely affected? The Council has just implemented part of the Little River Rail Trail which runs directly adjacent to the proposed site – how are cyclists going to be able to enjoy the ride while breathing in copious amounts of silica dust and listening to noise created by quarry activity? And now for the Christchurch City Council to propose a cemetery and/or sports ground within metres of the proposed quarry – how can family be expected to visit loved ones at a place of rest with dust, noise and vibration being carried out just over the road? Or sports people be expected to enjoy participating in healthy activities only to be compromised by dust, noise and pollution? Added traffic travelling through Templeton will increase noise, vibration, air pollution and other effects of high volumes of traffic including further pressure on infrastructure, resulting in a less pleasant environment for residents as well as increasing commuter travel time and congestion. The proposed location is at one of the worst intersections in Canterbury for accidents, with some serious accidents resulting in death. To add some 1500 heavy vehicle movements per day as proposed by Fulton Hogan will only compound this issue and increase the danger. The well-sign posted intersection of Kirk Road and Main South Road where heavy vehicles of a maximum of 9 metres in length are prohibited is another cause for concern with the proposed increase of traffic. Already double truck and trailers carrying aggregate park on the railway crossing in an attempt to turn out on to Main South Road. It is only a matter of time before a train collides with one of these trucks. I have an immense concern with regards to the proposed volume of heavy vehicles coming and going from the quarry, some 1500 heavy vehicle movements per day. Heavy vehicles travelling through Templeton township via Kirk Road is already a considerable issue. We have a doctors surgery, café, fish and chip shop, dairy, local school, nursery and preschool as well as residential homes located along Kirk Road. The volume of heavy trucks travelling already poses a risk particularly to the safety of children and the elderly. Speed is reduced during certain school times to 40 km, but vehicles continue to fail to reduce their speed. Heavy vehicles cannot stop suddenly if required. There are many alternative routes to travel other than going directly through our township. This was proved only recently when the prison upgraded their sewer line and Kirk Road was closed for quite a period of time. A brief reprieve. Already the road has had to be uplifted and resurfaced – further proof that heavy vehicles are extremely hard on our infrastructure.

Consent comment:
I wish the consent authority to decline Fulton Hogan's application to quarry at this proposed site. However, if the quarry is consented it is vital that Fulton Hogan are restricted in the volume of heavy vehicle movements per day. Their proposed 1500 trucks is an astronomical amount. All heavy vehicle movements should be prohibited from travelling via Kirk Road through the heart of Templeton. Fulton Hogan should be restricted on dust emissions and discharge of contaminants into our environment. Monitoring should be necessary and a requirement of any quarry activity. At any point that a quarry is in breach of rules and regulations, all activity should cease until such measures are taken that all consequences and effects are mitigated. Quarries need to be accountable. I understand the need for aggregate, however cannot understand the need for a quarry to be located within 700 metres of a residential suburb. There are alternative locations where aggregate can be sourced without disrupting lives, being detrimental to residents’ health,
increasing heavy traffic and posing risk to locals. I do not wish to see our peaceful Templeton so dislocated, nor for Fulton Hogan to set a precedent for future quarries and other residential suburbs around New Zealand.