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Comments: I object to the plans to extend the quarry at Hope Cement Works on the following grounds:

1. Seismic activity as a result of quarrying already affects homes in Castleton. Any extension of quarrying activity will undoubtedly increase such events. Houses regularly shake during blasting.

2. Permitting extension of the quarry will directly influence another planning application - that regarding the Peak Cluster project, which threatens the environmental landscape of the Peak District National Park.

3. Hope Cement Works exists only because it was in place prior to the area's National Park status. Permitting an extension sets a precedent that a private company can damage a national park for profit.

4. The Peak District National Park Authority is responsible for protecting wildlife and the surrounding environment, as well as ensuring the well-being of those people resident. To allow further blasting risks the PDNPA violating their legal duties.

5. The requirement to pay £400 to view the Environmental Statement prohibits the public from being fairly informed of the impacts. This information should be freely available to facilitate an informed response.

6. The planning permission requests states that the purpose of the quarry extension is to continue cement manufacture and "the quarry's restoration". It is unclear what is meant by the "quarry's restoration". Does this relate to the prospective rewilding project? Further clarification is required.

7. Further quarrying at the site will impact the natural aesthetics of the area. The Peak District National Park and the communities within rely heavily on tourism income, moreso than that generated by cement manufacture. Numerous tourists have described Hope Cement Works as a blight on the landscape. They are correct.

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