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To: Glyn Rhonwy Pumped Storage Scheme

Subject: for attention Richard Price ref EN010072

Dear Mr. Price

I am a registered interested party and I am formally informing you that I wish to make representation at the Examination of the Glyn Rhonwy Scheme.

I will be interested in Annex H

6. Traffic, Transport and Public Access
7. Noise and vibration during construction.
8. Water resources, flood risk .
9. Air quality and other health impacts.

Please confirm that this has been noted and let me know if I just turn up or any other instructions yours sincerely

Christine Jordan

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My name is Christine Jordan and I live at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I am speaking today on behalf of many of my neighbours who live, as I do, along the route proposed by the Developer as access for all traffic to the western side of the Quarry and the construction of the dam and headpond. Their names will accompany our written submission.

We are all concerned about many aspects of this scheme, but all the documentation is daunting and hard to get through so I will highlight just a few relevant sections now.

Annex H no 6 Traffic, transportation and public access.

We are asking the Examining Authority to question the Developer's conclusion that the residual traffic effects from the construction and operation of the development are NOT SIGNIFIGANT and the effect on Road Safety NEGLIBLE.

As local residents and daily users of this proposed route, we consider that if it is properly assessed it would be in the Very High category and these are the principle reasons.

The Enviromental Impact statement has no information at all from 'Cae Trevor' crossroads, we all call this Groeslon locally, until reaching the quarry up the 'Green Lane'. It totally omits any description or photos of properties, junctions or lane width along this steep and dangerous route. We will be enclosing a summary of all this in our written submission.

Initially there was never any proper consultation including local residents, we only found out from friends in Llanberis that our lane was involved.

You will see that properties are mostly originally stone cottages built right alongside the lane, having no foundations as we

know them today and the homes on the crossroads have walls

generators, the traffic numbers have increased dramatically and include transporting explosives up our lane.

How will any mitigating plans be policed and who will be responsible.

How will any upgrades and passing places ever make this part of the lane fit for the purpose of moving heavy traffic. We have seen the plans to widen the lane from the cattle grid upwards, but this is not addressing the dangerous lower section at all. There are no details we can find of how this is going to be mitigated. We cannot see that banksmen, lights and speed restrictions will ever make it totally safe with all the different access points and unsighted sections. And they will cause major restrictions to the way we can travel up and down to our homes right from the junction with the A 4085

Why is this matter not to be included in the DCO which we feel must include firm and sensible precautions with big penalties for non compliance or insist on an alternative route for construction traffic. We will have to go through another planning enquiry and we fear this will involve us arguing with Gwynedd Highways and the Construction Company once more, and if the DCO has been granted, who will listen to us then.

Who will pay for any damage caused to property or life and how will this be monitored and safeguarded.

Why has no alternative and safer route been investigated, Dinorwig constructed their own one way route throughout the site eliminating any dangers to public road users and workforce. Why can this not be done here .

leisure time.

All this will be compromised by the use of our lane for heavy construction traffic and the exclusion of access to the large site itself ,not to mention the danger it poses.It will be a large industrial area destroying the wild mountain for ever.

The trade off by implying use of local labour is debatable, we all know that this type of development will have national main contractor who will bring their own experienced workforce.

Annex H no 10 Socio Economics,tourism and recreation.

Again we would ask the Examining body to question the conclusion that this is 'Not of significant effect'

From the junction with the A 4085 there are a number of businesses that will be impacted.

Snowdownia Fire Protection is very busy between 7am and 9am loading its vans from this lane.

The Blacksmith has steel deliveries accessed from the lane.

The local Riding School uses this lane for horse riders to access the mountain.

The local kennels has it's access on this lane.

There are at least two self catering holiday units on this route ,they employ local people and their desirability will be completely destroyed by passing heavy traffic.

There are several families working from home,doing important research and concentrating in a peaceful enviroment,will this be compromised.

Tourism is our main industry in this area and this lane is used constantly by tourists either just rambling,cycling,horse riding or enjoying the peaceful views.

The Snowdownia Marathon uses this lane going back to Llanberis,this iconic race attracts over 1200 runners from all over the world,will it have to be remeasured and diverted around a major construction site.

The Pilgrims Way to Bardsey Island uses this lane ,and is revisited by many walkers.

This is a wild ,peaceful and beautiful area presently,we all appreciate and love it and go walking, riding or cylcling in our

adjacent to the lane .

Some very old properties are built below or above the road level ,they will be extremely vulnerable to any vibration from heavy loaded lorries, some already suffered damage during the logging movements and they were loaded going downhill. There are no footpaths or room to construct any ,the children have to walk up and down to the school bus whose pick up point is the crossroads.

Many homes have no off street parking and use this quiet no through road to park on.

The lane goes steeply uphill from the crossroads with one very dangerous and completely unsighted bend at a junction with two other lanes ,there is no room at all for mitigation here.We have already had an accident here with a logging lorry having to stop and depositing its load of logs backwards ,if anyone had been behind in a car or walking it would have been life threatening,photos are in the written submission.

The water main runs just under the surface and has already been broken several times by lorries used when logging was going on.

The local farmers use this daily with their tractors and for movement of livestock, especailly during the summer when many use the common land for their sheep.

The local council send a special small collection bin lorry to service our properties,and when we have oil, gas or other deliveries we all have to ask for the 'small lorry'.So it is recognised that our lane is not suitable for large vehicles ,and no room on this section to make it so.

We are questioning the accuracy of the traffic

projections,although we were promised nothing has changed from the original scheme apart from the size of the

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And although we know that these decisions are made on relevant and prescribed matters, I would like to say that all these volumes of documents, tables and graphs can never tell the Examining Authority how we feel.

We are worried, upset and feeling powerless to prevent the change this is going to bring to our daily lives. We feel our properties, our way of life and even ourselves are going to be in danger. An alternative route for construction traffic must be found, either from Glyn Rhonwy itself or away from our small lane.

The Developer will say that it is only for a few years but when you are older every year is precious. And noise and disruption for 12 hours each day and for 6 days every week is going to be hard to ignore.

Sadly it seems that the impact on horseshoe bats is getting more investigation than the impact on local residents, young children and the elderly will all be affected but have no protection in law.

We have had sleepless nights, thinking about the danger it brings to our homes and families, the problems we will face every time we leave our house.

Most of us have moved here for peace and quiet, to live in a beautiful area away from traffic, pollution and noise. Walking up our lane, through the old quarries and over the top to the wonderful view of Snowdon to our right, Llanberis below, and

Anglesey to our left has been one of our joys of living here. This

will be gone forever if this scheme goes ahead.

The Peregrine Falcons were frightened away by the exploratory works, but we cannot just spread our wings and fly. Our homes and lives are already blighted by the proposal of this development, but if it were truly of merit and not just for financial gain, we would support it.

This would be a drastic and permanent change, costing enormous sums of money, and detrimental in many many aspects. We have tried to highlight some, along with other groups from Llanberis where there too will be enormous impact. It would contribute a tiny amount compared to the existing Dinorwig installation in exchange for massive disruption and danger so we hope you can agree with our conclusion that IT IS NOT WORTH IT. And finally, to read that the Developer considers the likely effects on our lives to be NON SIGNIFICANT is dismissive, insulting and typical of their arrogance and selfish position.