

# **Petition To Staffordshire County Council: Management of HGVs on Cemetery Road, Silverdale**

## **Requested Action:**

- 1) make Cemetery Road around Walleys Quarry a no parking area, indicated by double red lines painted on the road between Keele Road and Silverdale Road**
- 2) make the Silverdale Cemetery layby across from Walleys Quarry closed to lorry parking, with this made clear through signage**
- 3) make clear what agency is responsible for addressing daily complaints about this hazard and who is responsible for enforcing road traffic and safety measures.**

HGVs parked on Cemetery Road in Silverdale, Newcastle-under-Lyme, create dangerous obstructions and make the road unsafe to travel on. Cemetery Road is a main road in the area and is busy, particularly in the mornings and evenings. Queues of lorries, sometimes up to a dozen or more, on Cemetery Road between Keele Road and Silverdale Road (approximately 0.3 miles) turn that stretch into a one lane road and reduce or eliminate visibility around curves and at junctions, and it makes the road dangerous for all road users (cars, cyclists, pedestrians, motorbikes, work vehicles, lorries, etc). This is a daily occurrence, starting around 6:30am and lasting through the entire morning. The lorries are queuing to enter Walleys Quarry Landfill site.

Lorries are meant to wait at designated areas but they do not. Walleys Quarry has proposed that the gates of the landfill open earlier as a way to address the problem. The community does not feel that this is an appropriate solution – the capacity for stationary lorries in Walleys Quarry is small (8) and could not accommodate all lorries that park on Silverdale Road at most given times. Further, as the worst of the queues tend to form mid-morning, opening the gates earlier would not solve anything. We have tried reporting this to the police, to the county council, to the highways agency, to the borough council, to our local MP, to the landfill owner, and even through complaints pertaining to non-compliance with planning permission. Every agency tells us that the responsibility lies somewhere else. In the meantime we wait to hear news about a tragic accident caused by lorries on Cemetery Road.

In light of the hazards of this situation, the community is asking that Staffordshire County Council to act with urgency


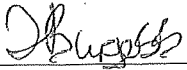
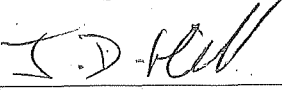


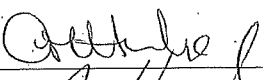

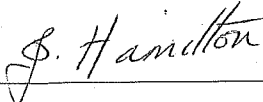
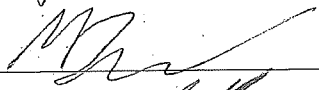

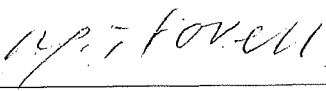

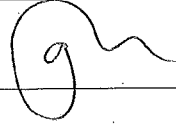
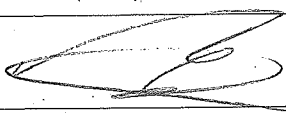
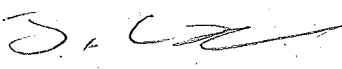
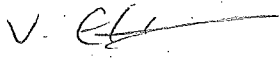

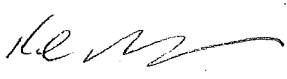

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