

## Chrysalis holistic centre

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Malcolm Doak EPA Johnstown Castle Co Wexford

Dear Mr. Dork

Re: JOHN O'REILLY'S QUARRY & BROWNFIELD APPLICATION

My neighbour Russ Bailey spoke with you recently to outline the community's concerns about the proposed development of this site at Whitestown.

I am the owner and founder of the Chrysalis Retreat Centre which was established in 1989, which is a holistic centre offering a peaceful getaway place for our clients and guests. I enclose our most recent programme of events. We play an important economic, employment and promotion role for West Wicklow, employing 15 people plus extra seasonal local staff. Last year we welcomed 2,500 guests to the Glen area.

The boundary of Chrysalis is approximately 250 metres from the site and I have grave concerns about the possible noise and traffic levels which could have a severe impact on our business. Our guests book for various retreats and courses, all of which depend on having a peaceful, tranquil place in nature. In particular, our silent meditation retreat programme would be severely compromised with the proposed development.

We have architectural plans drawn up for expanding the centre to include a meditation hall and single accommodation block. Both of these would be impossible to countenance if the Brownfield application was successful. I'd be happy to show you around Chrysalis so you could see for yourself how close the site is and what an impact the proposed development would have.

I would like to register my strong objection and would appreciate acknowledgement that you have safely received this letter.

Yours sincerely

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