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England's green and pleasant land... (Jerusalem, William Blake)

Will there be any for our future generations?

Using processes of clarity, integrity and transparency I find it difficult to reconcile promoting brownfield sites and protecting our best agricultural land (Reference Preface parts ii and ix) with the inclusion of White Moss Quarry in Cheshire East's Emerging Core Strategy as a Proposed Strategic Location.

White Moss Quarry, as stated, has a restoration order and therefore is classed as green field.

The proposed area is much greater than an actual quarry site and will have a significant impact on farming land.

One particular area, referred to as Triangle Field, of which members of the Cheshire East Strategic Planning Board are well aware is subject to an ombudsman's report and possible revocation of a CEUD. The inclusion of this land could have a bearing on the consideration of the decision.

The vast expanse of this field is presently growing maize. Surely sustainability should encompass the growing of food in our own country either for personal consumption or to feed the farm animals who will end up on our table for Sunday lunch. This stops the importing of food and animals from abroad, protecting employment and reducing unnecessary carbon footprint in the process, perhaps jokingly stopping the eating of horsemeat!.

This field totally falls within Alsager Town Boundary and is not included in the Local Town Strategy. It is outside the settlement zone boundary and is in open countryside.

It forms part of the White Moss Local Wildlife site and supports the habitat of badgers, bats and foxes.

For the reasons I have given I feel that this site should be discounted.