

Valley Visions

Visions of the Past



Visions of the Present



Visions of the Future?



“The Pont Valley is too beautiful to dig up”



**“The Valley is a great place.
People of all ages can walk there”**



“A beautiful valley steeped in history”



**“It would be a tragedy if the area was
destroyed by opencast mining”**



“A totally unspoiled piece of the countryside”



“Hidden beneath the beauty is a rich history”



**“The Pont Burn Valley is a natural asset to
our community”**



“I love the Derwent Valley in all its beauty.”

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“Allowing any Opencasting in the Pont Valley...would be disastrous for residents’ quality of life and the area's future prosperity.”



**“We are so lucky to have this God-given
beauty”**



“I love this valley and everything in it (apart from the cow pats) and would hate to lose it”



“The Pont Burn Valley has a huge role to play in the regeneration of the community.”



**“I run through the valley, have picnics, walk with
my children, look at the sky...”**



**“Opencasting is a major problem for the area,
the people and most of all the climate.”**



**“It is a joy to look at and it uplifts the mood
and spirit”**



“The valley is great, history-wise”



**“The valley has so many changing facets,
whatever the weather”**



**“It’s a beautiful valley and you can’t improve on
that spectacular view!”**



**“I am devastated at the idea of the valley
being stripped bare.”**



“The valley is beautiful - if you destroy it then future generations will not see this”



“How ironic that the coal industry wishes to bulldoze 700 years of their own heritage.”



“I love this valley and have watched it recovering from industry over the 30 years I have lived here”



“I love the variety of landscapes in the valley.”



“No ‘reparation’ can replace what would be lost.”



“I didn’t realise the amount of heritage that was close to where I live”



“I love the peace the valley provides”



**“Some of the most enjoyable countryside I
have ever seen”**



**“Green open spaces, dark enclosed paths,
fabulous views”**



“Do not allow this opencast to spoil our beautiful landscape”



**“We didn’t realise that a place like this
existed right on our doorstep”**



“The valley is my life. Leave it alone.”



“This valley is breathtakingly beautiful. Don't spoil the beauty that makes this area such a fabulous place to live and work.”



“This is a lovely place to live”



“Coal is a dirty, polluting fuel which should not be used”



“Wonderful walk in this marvelous valley”



“We have discovered a whole new valley”



**“We can look out at this every day
and rejoice”**



"The valley is very beautiful...the flora and fauna is wide and varied. "



“...the valley is beautiful and should not be destroyed.”



“The valley is lovely. I love to sit and look.”



“I do not want it spoilt or defaced, I want it to stay beautiful and fertile for my descendants.”



“When it rains you can see the different shades of green that look so fresh and vibrant”



**“Opencasting belongs to the past.
Not the future.”**



And the final word...



“I don’t like it!”

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