I found out with great disappointment and discussed that Wilmot council made a back room sweetheart deal with the Hallman pit.

From talking with only a few of the councillors since some said they would return my call but didn't. First I'd like to say, that the council would like to think that this is about money. If true they are very uninformed, it's about the health of people.

Second if a deal was needed from talking to two people from the aggregate business. One who's only job it to get pits approved and the other has done over 50 pit applications. Both have told me never negotiate going before the board at the very least wait till part or most of the way through the process and then negotiate.

Both people in their opinion say pits always make significant concessions.

I can not believe that I, a retired farmer, can find out this information with minimal effort and yet it seems that the council can't. If this is the best the council can do either the people you get the advice from should be replaced or if not council should be replaced.

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