















27 June 2008

Rt Hon Hilary Benn MP Secretary of State Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs Nobel House 17 Smith Square London SW1P 3JR

Dear Secretary of State

## LONGSTONE EDGE, PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK

The organisations listed below welcome your support for a permanent solution to stop the damage being caused to Longstone Edge by quarrying at Backdale. However, the urgency for this has increased because fresh ground is being cleared for further quarrying and we are therefore writing to ask you to give the highest priority to finding a permanent solution.

With the resumption of work at Backdale approaching its fifth anniversary we believe that an announcement of a permanent solution would be most timely.

Yours sincerely

Ruth Chambers

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On behalf of the following organisations:
British Mountaineering Council
Campaign to Protect Rural England
Council for National Parks
Friends of the Earth
Friends of the Peak District
Plantlife
Ramblers' Association
Save Longstone Edge

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