

My name is Linda Benson.

My husband Paul and I have lived here in Gloucester for the last 40 years bringing up our family of 3 children and now they all 3 of them have chosen to come back to Gloucester to bring up their families.

I honour the original peoples of this land, now called Gloucester. Their teachings have taught me how to honour this land that I now walk on and inhabit. Every morning I do a meditation honouring the beautiful Mugarini Mtn. & Buchan Buchan Mtn. and together we pour our energy into the valley keeping it free from coal mining.

The Aborigines would never allow a coal mine to destroy this beautiful Gloucester valley.

Lets all see the commissioners upholding the Dept. of Planning's refusal of Rocky Hill's coal mine application, Yes! Keep Gloucester valley coal free and beautiful.

Some of their children have lung conditions so the families would have to leave Gloucester if a coal mine was on their doorstep.....