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1. Resident, teacher, parent, community member for 27 years.
2. Horrified that anyone would consider putting an open cut mine so close to any town/ school/ hospital/ people's houses.
3. The health issues that will arise locally will be disastrous.
4. In an era where we want to reduce pollution, this will increase it.
5. Locally it will put more traffic on the crumbling road system. As well as noise/air pollution.
6. Hearing that the mine will only operate at certain hours is bunkum...everyone knows that mines say this to begin with, then later say that they need to change, or conditions have changed and now we need to operate 24 hours a day.
7. Gloucester and surrounds are picturesque and amazing...we should capitalize on this...not by putting a disgusting coal mine right next to our town.