

Minutes of the Mortimer Quarry liaison committee meeting held on 4 October 2018 at Mortimer Quarry offices

## **Present:**

#### **Mortimer West End Parish Council**

No representative

## **Hampshire County Council**

David Smith – planning enforcement officer (DS)

# **Basingstoke and Dean Borough Council**

Councillor Roger Gardiner (RG)

#### **Pinelands Park Residents**

Jim Burgin (JB)

## **Englefield Estate**

**Edward Crookes** 

## **Hills Quarry Products**

Andrew Liddle (AL)

## The Hills Group Ltd

Monique Hayes (MH)

		Actions
1.	Minutes of the previous meeting	
	The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.	
2.	Apologies	
	Received from Richard Edwards, Peter Andrew.	
3.	Update on current site status and existing planning permission	
	AL advised that material sales from the site were in the region of 400-500 tonnes per day, with a target of 1,000 per day in the future.	
	In response to a question from JB, AL confirmed that HGVs leaving the site are required to 'turn right' as per the agreed existing routeing plan which Hills has adopted, but following that drivers are then able to select the best route depending on the delivery destination.	
	Committee members requested the opportunity to visit the excavated area – AL to arrange this in the last week of October.	AL / HILLS
	Planning application – bagging plant DS advised that planning permission had been granted for the variation of condition 14 of planning permission BDB/73759 to allow the importation of other minerals into the site. These materials will be used alongside material being dug at the quarry to supply the new bagging	

	operation on site.	
	DS advised that this will have no impact outside of the site and that this variation will cease when the quarry closes.	
	Committee members will be shown around the bagging plant at the next liaison committee meeting .	AL / HILLS
	<u>Planning enforcement officer visit</u> DS advised that he had undertaken two routine quarterly visits to the site and there were no issues to report. These visits will take place each quarter.	
4.	Update on programme of works	
	AL gave an update on site activities and the forward programme of works for the site and tabled a reference plan which was discussed.	
	Phase 1 (area b) – next stage of ecological mitigation measures will commence in the coming week.	
	<b>Phase 2</b> – fencing for ecological mitigation has been erected together with the installation of gates on some of the walking paths which have been re-routed.	
	AL explained the phased restoration and how overburden material is moved from one area to another to keep the open working areas to a minimum.	
	EC advised that the restoration provides an opportunity to improve the ground/soil conditions and will allow future planting of a more diverse species of trees.	
	AL advised that a meeting will be arranged with Pinelands Park residents to explain the quarry workings before any work is undertaken in the western area of the site.	HILLS
7.	Any other business	
	Apprenticeship AL gave feedback on the two applicants for the apprenticeship position. AL confirmed that Hills will continue to look for opportunities to promote apprenticeships through local schools and colleges in both Hampshire and Berkshire.	
	Site safety AL explained the safety inspections that take place across the site to ensure that members of the public are discouraged from gaining access into the area.	
	RG asked whether the 'Stay Safe' information leaflets created by the MPA could be circulated to parish noticeboards. MH to arrange.	HILLS
8.	Date of next meeting	
	The next meeting will be held on Thursday 10 January 2019 at the Mortimer Quarry offices from 16.00.	