



## Mortimer Quarry Liaison Committee

Minutes of Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019 held at the Mortimer Quarry Office.

### Present:

Hampshire County Council	Cllr Rhydian Vaughan [RV]
Mortimer West End Parish Council	Jonathan Bray [JB]
Basingstoke and Dean Borough Council	Roger Gardiner [RG]
Englefield Estate	Richard Edwards [RE]
Hills Quarry Products Ltd	Andrew J. Liddle [AL]

### Circulation:

Hampshire County Council Mineral Planning Officer	Dave Smith [DS]
Hampshire County Council	Cllr Rhydian Vaughan [RV]
Mortimer West End Parish Council	Jonathan Bray [JB]
Basingstoke and Dean Borough Council	Cllr Roger Gardiner [RG]
Pinelands Park Residents	Jim Burgin [JB]
Englefield Estate	Edward Crookes [EC]
Englefield Estate	Richard Edwards [RE]
Hills Quarry Products Ltd	Andrew J. Liddle [AL]
The Hills Group	Monique Hayes [MH]

### 1. Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Minutes approved.

### 2. Apologies:

Apologies received from Dave Smith and Edward Crookes

### 3. Site Development Report:

**AL** - the development continued to progress as planned, with the slight complication of reduced water due to April being exceptionally dry, less than half the usual rainfall for the month. This gives us a few problems due to the high silt content within the gravel deposits, but the plant is maintaining quality of the washed products. The extraction operation is still in Phase 1 working within 200m either side of the ground conveyor in Phase 1, but will be pushing south into Phase 2 as soon as practicable, once the ground conveyor has been extended. This will allow the southern section to be restored as quickly as possible and the intention would be to use the area as an experiment to get the ground conditions correct and the planting scheme to be established for the remaining site.

**RE** - noted that the intention will be to move to different species of tree, giving more variety throughout the managed woodland.

Sales volumes of aggregate have been reasonable, especially now the bagging operation is running.

**[DS]** - Submitted his comments by email for the meeting, a site visit was carried out by HCC - no issues were raised.

### 4. Programme:

**AL** - the Earthmoving equipment will be brought back to site in Jul/Aug 2019, to strip the remainder of Phase 1, extending the bund to the west along the side of the powerlines to the limit of Phase 1 at the footpath. There will be equipment on site to carry out the destructive search on part of Phase 2. Work has been carried out during April/May to remove the remaining tree stumps from Phase 1 and 2, which has been chipped onsite and then transported off to produce energy.

### 5. AOB:

**RG** - asked how recruitment of apprentices was going?

**AL** - we are continuing to engage with local schools, but the responses have been poor. We will be organising site visits Sep/Oct with some of the local schools, to try and get the message across.

### 6. Date of next meeting:

The date of the next meeting was agreed to be Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 16:00 at the site office.