



## Minutes of Mortimer Liaison Committee Meeting, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025

<b>Attendees:</b>	Frank Rodriguez – Hills Quarry Products Tony Wright - Pinelands Park Resident	Richard Edwards - Englefield Estate
<b>Apologies:</b>	Edward Crookes - Englefield Estate Steve Davies – Hills Quarry Products Kevin Cross - Mortimer West End Parish Council David Smith - Hampshire County Council Olly Thompson - Hills Quarry Products	Karen Scott – Pinelands Park Resident Dave Phenna - Pinelands Park Resident Cllr Rhydian Vaughan – Hampshire County Council

### 1.0 Introductions

### 2.0 Operational Review:

FR noted we are currently extracting in Phase 3, 1 and 2 have been exhausted, Phase 3 has been cleared of trees and topsoil which are being used as bunding. Ecological work going ahead on Phase 4, we've put in drift fencing which is to compartmentalise the phase to aid in capture the reptiles, a fair few adders have been caught so far. Hoping to start clearing Phase 4 of trees after bird nesting season (Oct/Nov), Phase 2 ripping to be discussed between Richard and Frank outside of meeting. Pond that was in phase 5 is being relocated, Richard noted there were a few newts in there at one point but was bone dry when filling commenced, FR noted that it is now complete. Fresh water ponds that we have, the driest spring we have had in 100 years has decreased the water we can use so not sure how long we can keep producing before the winter rains come in. Plant production has ramped up with the good weather and we can get the material through the plant better, averaging around 14000-18000 tonnes processed a month and around 12000 tonnes a month sold, we would like to be selling more but the industry is slow at the moment, several building projects for housing have halted around Berkshire.

FR

Estates: Richard wants to plant the trees in the winter in phase 2, will take 12-15 thousand trees so we're hoping for a wet spring and summer next year to assist with the trees growing, if we had planted these in the December gone 100% of those trees would have died due to the weather this year.

RE

### 4.0 Community Engagement

No noise issues, no dust issues and no issues with HGVs, all really pleased. FR noted the state of Welshmans Road and the potholes/damage, FR did mention that if the community does have any issues they are welcome to come in during the week to go through them.

RE, TW &  
FR

### 5.0 Any Other Business:

FR asked if there was any other business but no one had anything further to raise, FR will add his number and email address to the document along with Olly's, next meeting? Richard suggested emailing around a firm date, FR suggested early November but will pin down the date officially in an email.

Plans/Drawings to be attached to bottom of these minutes. Also, any contact details and relevant links.



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## **5.0      Plans/Drawings:**

See appendix at end of document.

## **6.0      Useful Links:**

<https://www.mortimerquarry.co.uk/>

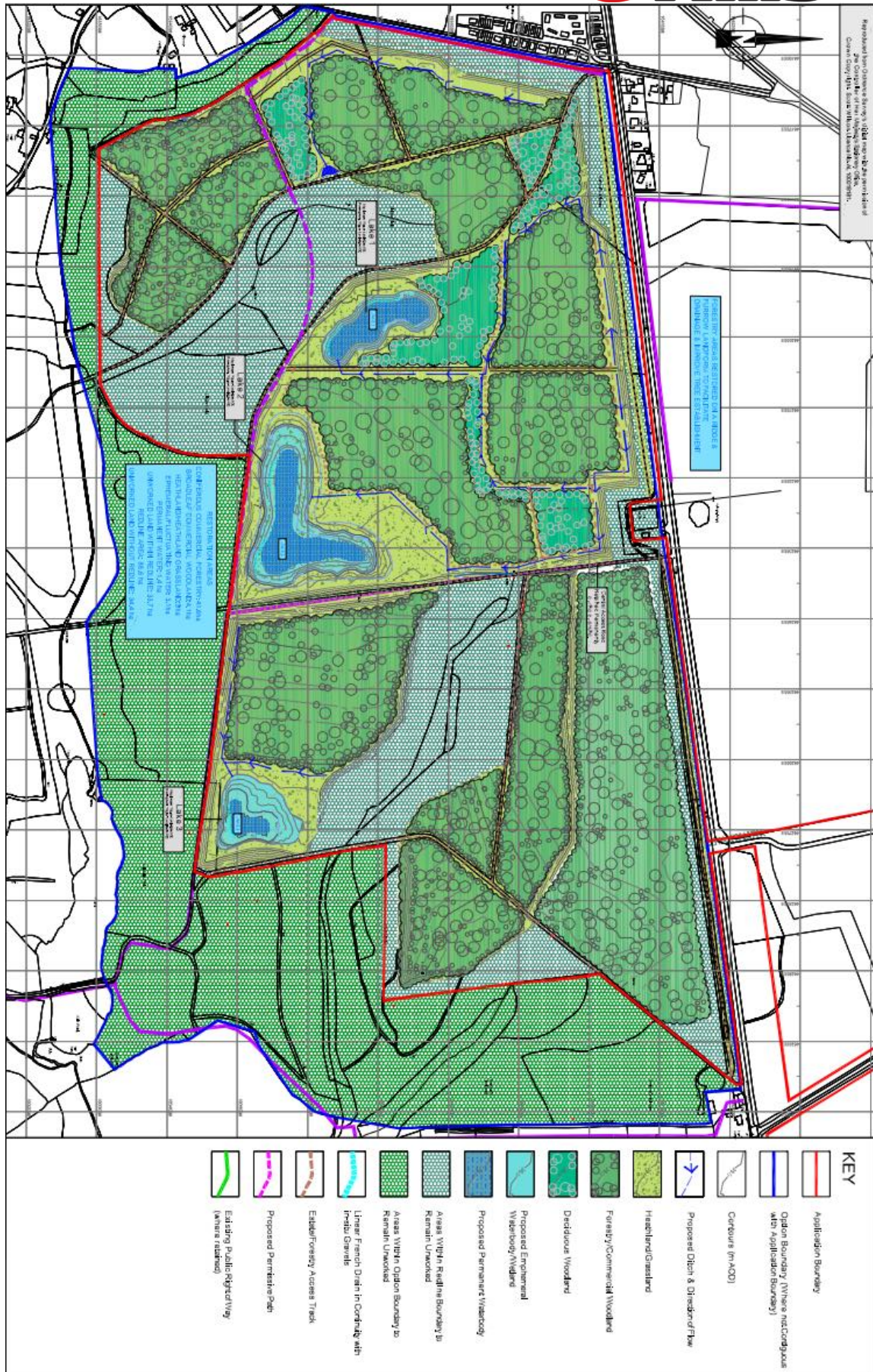
<https://www.hills-group.co.uk/>

<https://www.mineralproducts.org/Industry-Overview/Vital-for-Living.aspx>

## **7.0      Date of Next Meeting: November 2025 (Around 15:00pm) (Specific Date TBC)**

## **Appendix:**

Restoration Plan:



Phasing Plan (with brown/orange proposed conveyor routes):



