
From: Mindykowski, Adam
Sent: 02 February 2021 20:09
To: Development Control team
Subject: RE: Further Information (Regulation 25) - Land at Lea Castle Farm, Kidderminster, Worcestershire -
Ref: 19/000053/CM

Dear Steve,

Thank you for reconsulting me on this scheme and for granting an extension for return of comments.

Planting mitigation and phasing

I welcome the applicant's confirmation that planting along the eastern boundary of the site will be undertaken in three phases. While this is

welcomed, it appears that the bulk of restoration planting will be undertaken post retraction. I remained concerned that the opportunity to restore progressively following completion of each phase has not been addressed or explored. I acknowledge there may be operational constraints that apply some limitations to restoration during the lifecycle of the site (if that is the case these should be set out). Phase by phase restoration is recommended in order to begin the establishment of new planting at the earliest opportunity. This would benefit the aims of the scheme to create new parkland planting, and with native trees forming such an important part of the overall site assembly.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions concerning the points raised above.

Kind regards,

Adam

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Subject: Further Information (Regulation 25) Land at Lea Castle Farm, Kidderminster, Worcestershire Ref: 19/000053/CM

Dear Adam,

**Re-Consultation on a Planning Application (County Matter)
Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017
The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure, Listed Buildings and
Environmental Impact Assessment) (England) (Coronavirus) (Amendment) Regulations 2020**

Submission of Further Information in respect of the Environmental Statement relating to the following planning application

Application Ref: 19/000053/CM **Grid Ref:** (E) 383959, (N) 278992

Applicant: NRS Aggregates Ltd

Proposal: Proposed sand and gravel quarry with progressive restoration using site derived and imported inert material to agricultural parkland, public access and nature enhancement

Location: Land at Lea Castle Farm, Wolverley Road, Broadwaters, Kidderminster, Worcestershire

Following the consideration of the comments that were received on the application and Environmental Statement, the County Council wrote to the applicant in June 2020 requesting further information in respect of the Environmental Statement. On 27 October 2020 the applicant submitted the requested further information, and the County Council are now seeking comments on this further information in relation to a number of matters including: water environment, ecology and biodiversity, landscape, agricultural land classification and soils, cultural heritage, transport movement and access, rights of way, and restoration and aftercare.

The applicant is seeking planning permission to extract approximately 3 million tonnes of sand and gravel over a total of 6 phases. The land would be progressively restored using site derived and imported inert material to agricultural parkland, public access and nature enhancement. The applicant estimates the development would take approximately 11 years to complete.

A copy of this further information together with the planning application, the plans, the Environmental Statement, the Non-Technical Summary and other documents submitted with the application can be inspected online at: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/eplanning using the application reference 19/000053/CM until **4 January 2021**. When searching by application reference, please ensure that the full application reference number, including the suffix are entered into the search field. **Please note:** when viewing the County Council's Planning Application Website you may wish to use an internet search engine such as Google Chrome, Firefox or Microsoft Edge for improved performance and functionality compared to Microsoft Internet Explorer.

I would be grateful to receive any comments that you may wish to make on the further information / application by **4 January 2021** by email or by post to the address below. If this is not possible then please let me know.

Due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic the majority of Council staff are working remotely. We have made arrangements for letters sent via the postal service to be distributed to the appropriate officer. Where possible, we encourage all comments / correspondence to be submitted by email or online using the above link.

Please note that all correspondence regarding any planning application will be available for inspection by the applicant and any interested third parties.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind regards

Steve

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