

213036/NTS

Non-Technical Summary

This Non-Technical Summary supports the permit variation application to vary the deposit for recovery activity at Tong Quarry, Tong Lane, Bacup, Lancashire, OL13 9XA. The Operator is The Bacup Clay Company Limited. The current permit is under EPR/EB3307HK for the placement of 30,000 tonnes of suitable material. The variation proposes to update the following:

- In 2020, planning permission (LCC/2020/0018) was granted by Lancashire County Council (LCC) for the extension of Tong Quarry to the north of the existing quarry void. This variation provides an updated restoration scheme. The waste recovery assessment for this updated scheme was approved by the EA on the 5th July 2021 (RvD Advice Report EPR/EB3307HK/V003). The RvD letter and approved Waste Recovery Plan is appended within the application.
- Additional EWC codes: 01 04 08, 01 04 09, 17 05 04, 17 05 08, 19 02 06, 19 12 09. An updated Hydrogeological Risk Assessment and Importation Protocol are provided within the permit application.
- Increase in permitted tonnage to 1,860,000 tonnes to incorporate the new restoration scheme including the extended quarry void.
- Extension to the green line permit boundary to include the quarry extension.

There is no change to the activity in principle. The updated restoration scheme has been suitably assessed including a Hydrogeological Risk Assessment, a Stability Risk Assessment and a Gas Risk Assessment. The operations and proposed permitted EWC codes are detailed in the Operational Plan. Controls and assessment of noise and dust are outlined in the Dust Emissions Management Plan and Noise Management Plan. The waste operation is an existing activity with no change in noise profile; therefore an updated BS4142 assessment was not deemed necessary. A noise impact assessment, approved by the local Authority, has been provided for information. The permitted site and other drawings are shown in Section 3 of the permit application folders. The areas of permit boundary extension are addressed in the Site Condition Report. The proposed EWC codes are all non-odorous and low putrescible content therefore no requirement for an Odour Management Plan.

There is a Standard Rules 2010 No. 12 (EPR/DB3908FR) operating within the quarry. The location is shown in 213036/D/007. This activity is not associated or assessed within this application.

The environmental setting and risk assessment are provided in the H1 Risk Assessment (213036/H1ERA) and Environmental Setting & Site Design (213036/ESSD). Table 1 outlines the Operator and site details:

Table 1 Application details

Site Address	Tong Quarry Tong Lane Bacup Lancashire OL13 9XA
Site National Grid	SD 88082 22704
Site Area	16.9 hectares
Operator and Applicant	The Bacup Clay Company Ltd Tong Farm Tong Lane Bacup Lancashire OL13 9XA
Proposed Processing Capacity and Activity	1,860,000 tonnes total capacity. 200,000 tonnes per annum.
Proposed Activities and waste streams	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amended restoration scheme;• Increase in permitted tonnage to 1,860,000 tonnes;• Extension of the green line boundary.• Additional EWC codes: 01 04 08, 01 04 09, 17 05 04, 17 05 08, 19 02 06, 19 12 09.