

Lesley Loane

Land and Mineral Management The Roundhouse Cottages Bridge Street Frome Somerset BA11 1BE Our reference: EPR/KB3507KY/A001

Date: 14/12/2021

Dear Ms Lesley Loane

## Pre application advice - Enhanced service

Operator: Hills Quarry Products Limited

Site: Airfield Quarry, Gally Leaze, Gloucestershire, SN6 6LL Thank you for your pre application enquiry on 16/11/2021.

I am pleased to provide you with your enhanced level of pre-application advice. This advice is based on the information provided on your pre application advice form and conversations/emails recorded on the following dates:

• Email on 25/11/2021 at 16.02.

## You confirmed:

That the deposit for recovery activity will not be undertaken at night, and the extent of the red line broadly in the plan D10\_LAN\_201reflect the Permit application boundary, however the scale of the site doesn't show that there're will be ~ 10m stand offs to the public highway that borders three sides. It was also confirmed that no other waste treatment activity was proposed for the site.

## Pre Application advice:

Pre-application submission for Airfield Quarry EAEPRKB3507KYA001 EAWML 407842, the request is to assess whether the site requires a Noise Impact Assessment (NIA) and associated Noise Management Plan (NMP) for the permit submission. The waste recovery plan submission associated with the site identifies that the Deposit for Recovery (DfR) activity will be undertaken to infill sand and gravel extractions that are proposed at the site The site plan D10\_LAN\_201 revision one dates Oct 2020 showing a red line boundary was confirmed as showing the permitted area boundary. Review of the site location identified three groups of properties situated adjacent to the site boundary, each located across the highway from the site, the distances to the garden features of the properties was calculated from the site boundary. Two properties to the north at SU1177197035 at a 10m distance, three properties to the south at SU1154095700 at an 11m distance and 2 properties to the south West corner at SU1097495228 at a 50m distance. Airfield buildings within site boundary were not considered as receptors. In addition there is the SSSI

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Cotswold Water Park to the South and East of the site. The distance of the SSSI to the site boundary is over 200m to the East, and 10m to the South with a potential stand off of over 200m from the proposed on site operations as shown in the drawing D10\_LAN\_204, dated: Oct 2020, title: Phasing Plan.

The applicant confirmed in an request for information email response from Lesley Loane 25/11/21 at 16.02 confirmed that activities would not be undertaken at night, no waste additional waste treatment activities would be undertaken on site, the red line on drawing D10\_Lan-201 shows site boundary, and that there will be a 10m stand offs to the public highway that borders three sides of the site. Therefore distance to closest receptor is approximately 10m and with an additional 10m stand off equating to a distance of 20m in total from on site activities to the nearest receptor. At this distance a NIA will not be required for the proposed deposit for recovery activity accept where there is prolonged activity in proximity to the receptors. The associated waste recovery plan submission for the site included the drawing D10\_LAN\_204, dated: Oct 2020, title: Phasing Plan which identifies a phased approach to the works with phase 2 and phase 7 in close proximity to the receptors. These receptors are further away from all other phases. This suggests that the risk is low as the worst-case impacts will only occur for a short period of time within the overall programme. Based on this information provided we would consider that a NIA and associated NMP are not required in this case.

Please note that without this proposed stand off providing an additional 10m distance from the onsite activities to the residential receptors a NIA will be required due to the close proximity of the receptors at the grid references SU1177197035 and SU1154095700 to proposed permit boundary.

For clarity in any waste application submission of site plans clearly outlining the 10m stand off to the receptors should be provided and referenced within the support information for the permit application. Alternatively the permitted area could be revised to provide the appropriate distance between permit boundary and the receptors.

This assessment assumes that there will be no night operations or waste treatment operations other than the deposit and placement of waste under the deposit for recovery activity.

## What enhanced pre application covers

Further information on the enhanced pre-application service is detailed on section 2 of the Environmental permitting charges guidance on GOV.UK.

As part of this service we have provided you with the following information:

Application reference number	EPR/KB3507KY/A001
Forms required to be submitted	part A, part B2, part B4, and part F1 https://www.gov.uk/guidance/waste-
	environmental-permits#app-forms

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You must ensure you provide dates of birth for all appropriate people as per Appendix 1 in form Part A. Failure to do so will delay your application being put into our systems. Please note that these details will not be made available on the Public Register.

A complete application must contain the following information below:

Declaration	Please ensure the declaration section is completed by each relevant person. For a limited company, this must be a director/company secretary as listed on Companies House.
Site Plan	Site plan must be clearly marked with the full site boundary
Payment	Please note your application will not be processed until we receive the full payment.

# What happens next?

If you submit an environmental permit application then please quote this pre-application reference number: EPR/KB3507KY/A001

If the advice above details using the <u>online digital application form</u>, your application can be submitted using this method. If not, please send your completed application documents via email to:

### psc@environment-agency.gov.uk

(Delete email above as appropriate for WQ or Installations/Waste)

### Or by post to:

Environment Agency, Permitting Support Centre, Quadrant 2, 99 Parkway Avenue, Sheffield, S9 4WF

Due to the Covid-19 incident, we are currently experiencing delays processing paper applications as access to our offices is restricted. Any applications submitted via post will be stored at the Permitting Support Centre until we are able to process them. For further information, please check our latest operational update on the <a href="Environment Agency">Environment Agency</a> website.

## **Dealing with the impact of COVID-19**

We are following Government advice to manage the risks of coronavirus to our organisation, to protect the health, safety and wellbeing of our staff and sustain our critical operations.

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Application type	Estimated time to allocation
New standard rules	4-6 weeks
New Bespoke	11-15 weeks
Admin variation	2-4 weeks
Minor variation	8-12 weeks
Normal variation	20-22 weeks
Substantial variation	20-22 weeks
Transfer	8-10 weeks
Surrender	8-10 weeks

#### **Disclaimer**

The advice given is based on the information you have provided, and does not constitute a formal response or decision of the Environment Agency with regard to future permit applications. Any views or opinions expressed are without prejudice to the Environment Agency's formal consideration of any application. Please note that any application is subject to duly making and then full technical checks during determination, and additional information may be required based on your detailed submission and site specific requirements and the advice given is to address the specific pre-application request.

This advice covers waste only.

Other permissions from the Environment Agency and/or other bodies may be required for associated or other activities.

# **Enhanced pre application cost estimate**

At this stage the pre-application advice is expected to cost up to £100 plus VAT. An invoice will be sent separately at a later date.

## This pre-application request is now closed.

We consider this pre application request is now closed however if you have any questions regarding this letter please contact Tim Ross email tim.ross@environment-agency.gov.uk If you require additional enhanced pre-application advice please complete our online form.

We look forward to working with you on this project.

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If you have any questions please call 03708 506 506.

Yours sincerely

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