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For the Attention of: Lyle Robinson – Case Officer
Kirklees Council

[By Email: DC.Admin@kirklees.gov.uk]

28 September 2022

Dear Mr Robinson

PLANNING APPLICATION: 2022/62/92977/E

Erection of wooden cabin, toilet and parking area; Northorpe Hall, 53 Northorpe Lane, Mirfield, WF14 0QL

Thank you for your notification of 14 September 2022 seeking the views of The Coal Authority on the above planning application.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. As a statutory consultee, The Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

The Coal Authority Response: Fundamental Concern

I have reviewed the site location plans and the proposals and supporting information submitted and available to view on the LPA website and can confirm that the site falls within the defined Development High Risk Area.

The Coal Authority records indicate that the application site lies in an area of recorded and likely unrecorded coal workings at shallow depth. These features may pose a potential risk to surface stability and public safety.

As you will be aware, the Coal Authority's general approach in cases where development is proposed within the Development High Risk Area is to recommend that the applicant obtains coal mining information for the application site and submits a Coal Mining Risk Assessment to support the planning application.

In accordance with the agreed risk-based approach to development management in the defined Development High Risk Areas, the applicant should be informed that they need to submit a Coal Mining Risk Assessment Report to support this planning application. As no relevant information has been submitted at this time the Coal Authority **objects** to this planning application.

The Coal Authority would be very pleased to receive for further consultation and comment any additional information submitted by the applicant.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely,

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revised Coal Mining Risk Assessment) is provided by the Local Planning Authority or the Applicant for consultation purposes.