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Kirklees Metropolitan Borough Council
Development Management

Our ref: RA/2022/145143/02-L01
Your ref: 2022/93230

Date: 25 January 2023

By email:

Dear Farzana

DEEPEN AND EXTEND WINDY RIDGE QUARRY, INCREASE THE NUMBER OF HGV MOVEMENTS PERMITTED, EXCAVATE A FORMER LANDFILL TO RECOVER RECYCLABLE MATERIALS (RETROSPECTIVE), TEMPORARILY STORE SOILS ON PART OF THE PREVIOUSLY RESTORED QUARRY AREA (RETROSPECTIVE), FORM A NEW ACCESS, RESTORE THE SITE BY LANDFILL OPERATIONS TO INCLUDE THE IMPORTATION OF INERT WASTE AND RECYCLE IMPORTED CONSTRUCTION, DEMOLITION AND EXCAVATION WASTES. WINDY RIDGE QUARRY, CARTWORTH MOOR ROAD, CARTWORTH MOOR, HOLMFIRTH, HD9 2RL

Thank you for your email dated 5 January 2023 asking us to confirm our position in light of some discrepancies contained within the Hydrogeological Risk Assessment (HRA), in particular the drawing in the HRA not showing the full extent for the proposed extension to the existing quarry.

We have again reviewed the submitted information and the content of your email and I confirm that our previous response is still valid. The proposed lateral extension of the quarry that was not included in the HRA will not alter the conclusions.

We would however like to reiterate that the data within the HRA is outdated, and an updated HRA should accompany the necessary permit application for these proposals. The granting of a permit is not guaranteed.

Advice to LPA/applicant

This development will require an environmental permit under the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016, Regulation 12.

In circumstances where an activity/operation meets certain criteria, an exemption from permitting may apply, more information on exempt activities can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/register-your-waste-exemptions-environmental-permits>

The applicant is advised to contact our National Permitting Service to discuss the issues arising from the permit application process.

The applicant's proposal involves the excavation of a former permitted landfill. Excavation of the former landfill is an activity which will require a permit. The excavated material is waste and falls under waste framework directive controls.

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www.gov.uk/environment-agency

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Any reuse of that material on the site of origin requires a permit, the reuse can either be a disposal or recovery activity, if the former they will have to comply with the Landfill Directive requirements.

This proposal would benefit from enhanced pre-app service from the Environment Agency's National Permitting Service, where more detailed advice can be provided.
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/get-advice-before-you-apply-for-an-environmental-permit>

Should you require any further information or clarification, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

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