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Dear Farzana

Re: 2023/62/90668/E

Demolition of existing buildings. Erection and operation of a single building comprising a Sui Generis land use; Grange Moor Coachworks, Barnsley Road, Grange Moor, Huddersfield, WF4 4DR - RECONSULTATION

Thank you for your notification of 19 July 2024 seeking the further views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority response: Material Consideration

The Coal Authority previously commented on this planning application in a letter to the LPA dated 4 April 2023. The application was supported by a Phase 1 Environmental Desk Study & Coal Mining Risk Assessment (16 January 2022 prepared by RGS Ltd). The submitted report stated that intrusive site investigations should be undertaken prior to the commencement of development, specifically to identify any necessary remedial measures in regard to potential shallow coalmine workings. The report also recommended the investigation of a mine entry (shaft) in the southeast corner of the site.

The Coal Authority now notes the submitted Phase 2 Geo-Environmental & Mining Report (20 February 2024, prepared by RGS Ltd), which confirms the undertaking of intrusive site

investigations comprising of rotary boreholes and trial trenches for the recorded mine entry (shaft).

The Report confirms that no coal mine workings were encountered as a result of the advancing of the boreholes and that the shaft was also not located, thereby rendering it of no significant stability risk to the development. On the basis that the report confirms that no further measures are required, **the Coal Authority is able to revise its recommendation** as was previously confirmed by us.

The Coal Authority REVISED Recommendation to the LPA

The Coal Authority considers that the content and conclusions of the submitted Phase 2 Geo-Environmental & Mining Report (20 February 2024, prepared by RGS Ltd) meet the requirements of the planning system in demonstrating that the application site is safe and stable for the proposed development. The Coal Authority therefore **now has no objection** to the proposed development.

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

Yours sincerely

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In formulating this response The Coal Authority has taken full account of the professional conclusions reached by the competent person who has prepared the Coal Mining Risk Assessment or other similar report. In the event that any future claim for liability arises in

relation to this development The Coal Authority will take full account of the views, conclusions and mitigation previously expressed by the professional advisers for this development in relation to ground conditions and the acceptability of development.

