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For the Attention of: Tom Hunt – Case Officer
Kirklees Council

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

14th November 2023

Dear Mr Hunt

PLANNING APPLICATION: 2023/48/92417/W

**Erection of two storey welfare facility building (within a Conservation Area);
Greenhead Park Depot, Trinity Street, Huddersfield, HD1 4DT – Re-consultation**

Thank you for your consultation notification of 26 October 2023 seeking the views of The Coal Authority on the above planning application.

The Coal Authority previously commented on this application in a letter to the LPA dated 19th September 2023 and did not object subject to the imposition of our recommended conditions to establish the exact situation regarding any past shallow mining activity beneath the site.

We note that this application is now accompanied by a Phase 1 Environmental Desk Study report dated 1 June 2023 and Phase 2 Geo-Environmental Report dated 15th July 2023. These reports were both prepared by Roger Geotechnical Services Ltd.

I have reviewed the contents of these reports and the investigations undertaken on site do appear to address the potential risks posed by past shallow coal mining activity. Therefore at this current time we are not aware that intrusive site investigations to satisfy condition 1, recommended in our previous response dated 19th September 2023, have been undertaken on site.

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,

Peter Woodcock | BSc (Hons)
Assistant Planning and Development Manager

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