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For the attention of: Louise Bearcroft, Case Officer

Kirklees Council

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

27th October 2025

Dear Louise,

Re: 2024/44/93598/W

Discharge of condition 11 (validation report) on previous permission 2020/90442 for variation condition 2 (plans) on previous permission 2016/92055 for erection of 109 dwellings with associated works; Land East of, Crosland Road, Lindley, Huddersfield, HD3 3SU - FURTHER RECONSULTATION

Thank you for your notification of 14th October 2025 seeking the further views of the Coal Authority on the above.

We last corresponded in respect to this application to discharge condition 11 on 20th May 2025. At that time we referred to not having sight of a Lithos Remediation Statement ref. 1823/2. We also commented that a suitable verification statement from their technical consultant specifically confirming the remediation strategy has been implemented in full and that the site has been made safe and stable for the proposed development in terms of coal mining legacy matters.

Contrary to our expectations, the applicant appears to have resubmitted a report on drilling and grouting works prepared by Sirius dated August 2018, which we have already examined and commented on in our response letter of 20th May 2025. An extract of a remediation statement by Lithos Consulting (report ref. 1823/1) has also been submitted.

Unfortunately, this document does not provide the suitable verification statement requested in our last response.

Examining the council's website there would not appear to be any other document submitted in support of the application which meets the expectations set out above. As a consequence, the application does not appear informed by suitable new information which was requested and therefore we remain **unable to recommend to the LPA the discharge of Condition 11**.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me on the above number.

Yours faithfully,

Leigh Sharpe

Geotechnical & Development Manager

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