

Planning Policy
Nottinghamshire County Council
County Hall
West Bridgford
NG2 7QP

11th January 2018

Dear Mr Osborne-James

Re: Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan – Issues and Options Consultation

In relation to the Issues and Options Minerals Local Plan consultation document, we would like to make the following comments:

- 1) *Q17 – should the plan seek to identify specific site allocations for gypsum provision or should a criteria based policy be developed to ensure an adequate supply of gypsum can be maintained over the Plan period?*

The Plan should seek to identify both a site specific allocation for gypsum and a criteria based policy.

- a) The extension of Bantycok Quarry (Bantycok South, put forward as part of the call for sites running parallel to this consultation) is required for a continued supply of high purity / brightness (optical grade) gypsum for high value speciality products made by Formula. This extension should be identified as a preferred area for the ongoing supply of this grade of raw material to the important Jericho Factory located at Balderton, just south of Newark.
- b) In addition, it is important not to overlook gypsum used in construction products, and it should be noted that Nottinghamshire and the East Midlands are an important centre for the manufacture of gypsum plaster and plasterboard products for use in construction products. Given the importance of the Industry, it is considered that a broad area of search for gypsum for use in construction products should also be adopted, covering the area shown on Plan 2.

The options for identifying gypsum deposits in the UK are limited and Nottinghamshire is one of the counties in which it may be possible to identify and develop gypsum mining / quarrying operations that could supply the UK construction product market.

2) *Page 28 – gypsum provision*

The third paragraph states that *permitted reserves at Marblaegis Mine should be sufficient until at least 2026*. Please note that planning permission has been granted to extend the life of the mine until February 2042 (see application no. 8/16/01430/CMA).

Yours sincerely,



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Attachments: 20180111 sent Issues and Options Consultation.pdf; Call for Sites - Bantymock South MLP Allocation.pdf

Dear Steven

Attached are comments in relation to the current Issues and Options Consultation. Also attached is a call for sites submission for a proposed southern extension to Bantymock Quarry.

If you require any further information, please let me know.

Kind regards

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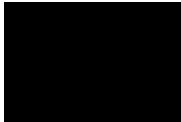
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