*RIPON* *QUARRY* *INAUGURAL* LIAISON COMMITTEE

Meeting held on *21st September 2016*

M I N U T E S

Present

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| *Name* | *Body Represented* | *Contact Number* |
| David Webster | Hambleton DC / Tanfield Ward member | 07831 573 966 |
| Peter Almack | Tanfield PC | 01677 470 2451 |
| Amy Taylor | North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) | 07944 580 367 |
| John Warren | Hambleton DC | 01609 767 093 |
| Christine Casling | East Tanfield PC |  |
| Tom Brown | Hanson | 07736 692 042 |
| Bob Orange | Hanson | 07802 391 301 |
| Dan Senkans | Hanson | 07972 017 049 |

1. *Introductions*

*Those present were recorded above. It was agreed to run through the meeting as per the draft agenda distributed by Ben Ayres (Lands and Planning Manager previously at Hanson) on the 5 August 2016.*

1. *Quarry Liaison Meeting Composition and Function*

*Constitution of the group was discussed. As the site is nearing the end of its life future liaison meetings will be primarily restoration led. It was noted that Wath PC may fall within the site boundary. This is not the case (please see attached plan). Norton Conyers PC falls within the SE corner of the site. Hanson to invite a representative of Norton Conyers PC to the next liaison meeting.*

1. *Planning update from Hanson and NYCC planning department*

*Ripon Quarry extension of time application was submitted by Hanson on the 29 October 2015. This application was validated by NYCC on the 17 November 2015 and seeks permission to extend the current planning permission to the end of December 2019. Amy Taylor explained that due to staffing issues at NYCC this is likely to be determined in the December 2016 Committee meeting.*

*Pennycroft extension area (south of the River) application was originally submitted by Hanson in December 2011. Additional supplementary information was submitted in February 2016 with another supplementary information submission to be made by the end of October 2016.*

*Tom Brown explained that Hanson are no longer pursuing Manor Farm West as a potential extension. This is primarily due to archaeology and the sites proximity to the Thornborough Henges. Tanfield PC welcomed this decision.*

1. *Update on Quarry development and Restoration works*

*Bob Orange ran through the development of the site including ongoing and proposed final restoration works. At current production rates the quarry will cease extraction of sand and gravel in c. 9months time. Site is expected to be fully restored approximately 12 months after sand and gravel extraction has ceased.*

*David Webster indicated that Tarmac provide commercial information (sales) within their Nosterfield liaison meetings. This may be something that can be tabled at the next liaison meeting.*

1. *Review of ongoing noise and water monitoring*

*Noise monitoring is currently carried out on a quarterly basis as per the adopted monitoring scheme in the planning permission.*

*Peter Almack raised concerns about occasional Saturday PM use of the processing plant. Christine Casling contributed the following dates and times September 3rd at 1.30pm and three early starts on the 19th, 20th and 21st of July.*

*The annual water monitoring report was discussed. In accordance with the planning permission Hanson are under no obligation to send the report to any party other than NYCC.*

1. *Establishment of a complaints record book*

*It was agreed to set up a complaints record book which then feeds into the Hanson system. Hanson have a similar set up at the Pateley Bridge Liaison meetings which works well. Amy Taylor confirmed that due to staffing issues any complaints currently made to NYCC are likely to be held up in the system for a considerable time.*

1. *Any other business*

*David Webster asked about progress on the North Yorks Minerals and Waste Joint Plan. As of 26th September 2016 progress has been made in development of the MWJP, site assessments, finalising of policies and sustainability appraisal is ongoing. The plan documents are going to the Authorities three committees in October with the aim of launching the Publication/Pre-submission consultation early November, but no date has been fixed yet.*

1. *Date of next meetings*

*Thursday 23rd February 2017. Venue TBA (dependent on numbers).*

*Site visits conducted after meeting.*