

# Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan



# Nottinghamshire County Council

## Additional Consultation on Sand and Gravel Provision Response Form

### How to use this form

Please use this form to make comments on the sand and gravel additional consultation document. Please fill in Part A once and then Part B sheet for each separate comment you wish to make. You can also comment online via our interactive service at <http://nottinghamshire.jdi-consult.net/ldf>.

Please email the completed forms to: [development.planning@nottscc.gov.uk](mailto:development.planning@nottscc.gov.uk)  
Or post them to: Planning Policy Team, Policy, Planning and Corporate Services, Nottinghamshire County Council, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP

All comments must be received by **Friday 11 July 2014**.

### Further information

If you have any queries or would like further information please contact the planning policy team at the addresses above, or call 0300 500 80 80 (customer contact centre).

### What happens next?

Once the consultation period has ended we will consider all of the comments that we have received. They will be used to write the publication draft of Minerals Local Plan. There will be a formal period of representation on this before an independent examination by Government takes place.

Please note that your comments will be made public and may be made available to others in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act and/or the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

### Part A: Contact details

Your details	
Name	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone Number	
Email Address	

Agent details	
Name and job title	N/A
Company	N/A
Address	N/A
Post Code	N/A
Telephone Number	N/A
Email Address	N/A

**Part B: Your comments**

Para/Section/Policy No.	Policy MP2/ Site MP2q (PA46) Barton in Fabis		
Have you responded on this issue before? (please circle)	Yes	<u>No</u>	Unsure
<b>Comments</b>			
<p>I <b>OBJECT</b> to the site at Barton in Fabis (MP2q / PA46) for the following reasons:</p> <p><b>Effect on the village environment:</b> Barton in Fabis is a quiet rural environment with a long history and a number of important listed buildings. The proposed site is an integral part of the village setting. The community depends on a number of events such as the annual flower festival to generate income to support local community groups and activities. The development of this site is wholly incompatible with all of this and will jeopardise activities in the community.</p> <p><b>Generation of noise and dust:</b> There will be a considerable 'loss of amenity' and impact on quality of life to myself, villagers in Barton and the many people who use this area for leisure pursuits from an operation 12 hours a day on this site. No amount of mitigation and measures to limit the effects can overcome these effects.</p> <p><b>Flood risk:</b> The Council's Sustainability Appraisal has identified the flood risk as "very negative" but a full assessment has not been undertaken. It is completely unacceptable to select this site until the wider flood risk implications have been identified. Any statement that quarry workings are 'flood compatible' is irrelevant until proved via a full assessment.</p> <p><b>Environmental / historical site damage:</b> Development in this area will have a devastating effect on Attenborough Nature Reserve, the SSSI at Holme Pit and Sites of Nature Conservation in the area of the site – any restoration will not restore the current range of biodiversity which is different from other worked out gravel pits in the area. The area is rich in history and archaeology and will be lost forever. A full assessment of the impact of the proposed site in this respect has not been undertaken and the provision of a metal detector on any conveyor is grossly inadequate response.</p> <p><b>Loss of important leisure area:</b> The area is a key area for walking/ fishing / horse riding and dog walking not only for those in the village, but for people from Nottingham City and wider Nottinghamshire.</p> <p><b>Loss of agricultural land:</b> The use of this site will result in the permanent loss of high grade ('best and most versatile') farm land adding to the nation's cost in terms of food imports. There are no plans to restore this land back to agricultural use.</p> <p><b>Safety issues:</b> Quarry workings will lead to deep water ponds close to the village which will present a real danger to children and animals which no amount of safety precautions will avoid completely.</p> <p><b>Planning blight / financial loss:</b> The existence of this quarry site over 12 years will make it very difficult to sell and affect the price of houses in Barton and therefore maintain a vibrant community. The true cost of such a site is therefore borne by the whole community in this and other respects rather than by the mineral operator and landowners.</p>			
<b>Summary – less than 100 words (if comments are longer than 100 words)</b>			
<p><b>OBJECTION to site at Barton in Fabis (MP2q / PA46) on the basis of:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effect on village environment</li> <li>Generation of noise and dust / loss of amenity</li> <li>Flood risk</li> <li>Environmental / historical site damage</li> <li>Loss of important leisure area</li> <li>Loss of agricultural land</li> <li>Safety issues</li> <li>Planning blight / financial loss</li> </ul> <p><b>Lack of full assessment and justification by the County Council for the addition of this site (and deletion of other proposed sites in earlier Preferred Approach) – therefore rendering the current Preferred Approach 'unsound'.</b></p>			
<b>Change to plan (how you would like the plan to be changed to address your comments)</b>			
Remove site MP2q / PA46 Barton in Fabis from Policy MP2 and seek more suitable sites if required.			
<b>Signed</b>		<b>Date</b>	