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26th October 2016

Dear Mr Kaul,

**Pave Lane Quarry** Application Ref. TWC/2016/0437 Re: Ecological Matters

- 1) I refer to recent correspondence which appears to have gone unanswered by your authority. Within my original letter of 4th October we sought clarification of the situation regarding the formal consultation responses from bodies dealing with matters such as amenity protection, ground and surface water (i.e. the Environment Agency), cultural heritage, highways, landscape and ecology. From what detail we have been able to obtain there appears to be no objections or serious concerns raised by these bodies that I have referred to as dealing with "technical" issues and we were simply seeking clarification from your authority that is the case. If there are any outstanding technical matters that your authority consider should be addressed, then it would be wholly unreasonable for the applicant not to be given the opportunity to comment upon such matters.
- 2) There was a possible unanswered query regarding ecology and again we sought clarification on that matter along with a better understanding of a comment made by yourself about a "policy requirement for significant environmental benefits". We struggle to understand why these queries have not been responded to and trust that a reply will be forthcoming shortly.
- 3) You have previously requested, and on 14th October we supplied a photomontage of the site, (the mineral processing area in particular) viewed from properties at Childpit Lane. The Company has spent a significant amount of effort and expense in preparation of this and it would be helpful to understand whether this detail was of assistance. Are you able to confirm or otherwise that this detail is sufficient for your needs?
- 4) Moreover, on 14th October, we also provided the extended noise monitoring data undertaken at the Childpit Lane properties. Are you able to confirm that this is now sufficient to enable

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- appropriate noise limits to be established in accordance with the National Planning Practice Guidance (2014).
- 5) As you are fully aware the National Planning Policy Framework requires that local planning authorities should work proactively with the applicant to secure developments that improve economic, social and environmental conditions of the area; that statement was made in the context that determining authorities "should look for solutions rather than problems" and we sincerely therefore trust your authority are adopting this principle in the determination of the Pave Lane scheme.
- 6) Finally, in our letter of 13<sup>th</sup> October we offered to agree an extension of time to allow determination of the application (until 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016) and we would appreciate formal confirmation that this is acceptable and if possible an indication as to when the scheme will be reported to Committee.
- 7) We look forward to an early response to the issues raised above.

Yours sincerely,

John Gough Planning Manager