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Our ref: RA/2018/138961/01-L01
Your ref: NYM/2018/0470/NM
Date: 28 August 2018

Dear Mr Smith,

**APPLICATION FOR NON MATERIAL AMENDMENT TO PLANNING APPROVAL
NYM/2017/0505/MEIA TO ALLOW REINTRODUCTION OF VENTILATION SHAFT.
DOVES NEST FARM AND HAXBY PLANTATION, SNEATONTHORPE.**

I refer to the above consultation. We reviewed the Hydrogeological Risk Assessment (HRA) submitted for the proposed ventilation system works at Woodsmith mine.

Whilst we have no objection in principle to the re-instatement of the ventilation works we advise that the Groundwater & Surface Water Monitoring Scheme, Groundwater Management Scheme, Remedial Action Plan and the Construction Environment Management Plan will need to be updated accordingly to take account of these proposed additional works.

Should you require any additional information or clarification, please don't hesitate to contact me on the details below.

Yours sincerely

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www.gov.uk/environment-agency

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From: [Elspeth Ingleby](#)
To: [Rob Smith](#)
Cc: [Planning](#)
Subject: NYM/2018/0470/NM - Doves Nest Farm and Haxby Plantation
Date: 16 August 2018 12:25:29

Hi Rob,

As just discussed, given this element was included within a previous application and deemed acceptable as part of that permission, I have no comment to make on this application.

Thanks,

Elspeth

Elspeth Ingleby

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Please note: I work 2 days per week on Ecology matters. My normal working pattern is Monday and Thursday.

Date: 13 August 2018
Our ref: 254369
Your ref: NYM/2018/0470/NM



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Dear Rob Smith

Planning consultation: Application for non-material amendment to planning approval NYM/2017/0505/MEIA to allow reintroduction of ventilation shaft
Location: Doves Nest Farm and Haxby Plantation, Sneatonthorpe, North York Moors

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 27 July 2018.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England notes the proposed non-material amendment to revert to the original ventilation shaft design. We have no concerns with the proposal provided that conditions remain in place, regarding the shaft, as originally permitted.

We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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From:
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: RE: [External] Doves Nest Farm and Haxby Plantation, Sneatonthorpe, - NYM/2018/0470/NM
Date: 08 August 2018 13:54:46
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Your ref: NYM/2018/0470/NM

Dear Sir / Madam

Further to your email below with regards to planning application ref: NYM/2018/0470/NM, I can confirm that this specific part of the Doves Nest Farm and Haxby Plantation site is within the Development Low Risk Area, meaning that there are no recorded coal mining legacy hazards at shallow depth that could pose a risk to land stability.


Accordingly, the Coal Authority has no objections on this application, however if this proposal is granted planning permission, in the interests of public safety the Coal Authority would recommend that the following wording is included as an Informative Note within the Decision Notice:

The proposed development lies within a coal mining area which may contain unrecorded coal mining related hazards. If any coal mining feature is encountered during development, this should be reported immediately to the Coal Authority on 0345 762 6848.

**Further information is also available on the Coal Authority website at:
www.gov.uk/coalauthority**

Regards

Deb Roberts

 The Coal Authority

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North York Moors National Park

Planning ref. NYM/2018/0470/NM

Application for non-material amendment to planning approval NYM/2017/0505/MEIA to allow reintroduction of ventilation shaft at Doves Nest Farm and Haxby Plantation, Sneatonthorpe, Grid Reference 489516 505117

Dear Mark,

Thank you for sending details of the above planning application submitted by Sirius Minerals Plc. We note that this application refers to ventilation shaft details that were previously submitted with the 2015 application and approved in June of that year. In 2017 under the provision of the s73 application by Sirius Minerals ref. NYM/2017/0505/MEIA a number of changes were made, referred to as minor material changes. Among these changes was a modification to the ventilation system resulting in the removal of the ventilation shaft and a subsequent reduction in spoil.

The reason given for this modification in the s73 application was described by Lichfields in the planning statement July 2017 as;

“ More efficient construction techniques and other improvements have been identified that have resulted in the evolution of the approved scheme at Woodsmith Mine. These include,

The redesign of the foreshafts within the Men and Material, and Mineral Shafts , adopting an alternative approach to their construction (diaphragm walling) and associated changes to the building layouts to enable access and ventilation to be incorporated, removing the need for the Drift Portal and the -45m level road network.

The new s96 application is for the reinstatement of the original proposed ventilation shaft, connecting tunnel and underground chamber.

Clearly the “more efficient construction techniques and other improvements” identified in the s73 application have been overtaken by the need to “simplify the engineering and shorten

construction programmes” which are the reasons put forward for reinstating the ventilation shaft.

Reverting to the original proposal will increase the volume of spoil by 65,550 m³ (bulked) and while the claim is that this can be accommodated in Bund C it will alter the land form and raise the height of this bund.

Once again we draw attention to the MTS tunnel. Since the access shaft at Egton to all intent and purpose appears to have been abandoned this means that the tunnel drive from the mine head will extend to Lockwood Beck and as a consequence an additional 255,000 m³ of spoil in the form of pyritic mudstone will need to be accommodated at the mine head site. No provision for this is indicated in this planning application or in the previous s73 application.

The mine head site is now a large blot on the landscape of the National Park and the main construction period has yet to start. The development of the mine head at Doves Nest Farm requires changes to the landscape which are contrary to National Park planning policies including; Core Policy A (1) (4) (7) Development Policy 1 (1) Core Policy D (1) Core Policy E (1) (2) (3) The development of the mine head site is also contrary to the National Park Management Plan. E1, E2, E3, E7, E11, E19, E20.

Our overall charitable objective is “To protect and enhance the characteristic beauty of the North Yorkshire Moors for present and future generations”. For this reason our original objections remain in place.

Tom Chadwick
Chairman NYMA

From:
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: Re: Doves Nest Farm and Haxby Plantation, Sneatonthorpe, - NYM/2018/0470/NM
Date: 01 August 2018 10:05:39

Please be advised that as the determination date is before our next meeting we are unable to respond.

Regards

Victoria

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From:
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Subject: Re: Doves Nest Farm and Haxby Plantation, Sneatonthorpe, - NYM/2018/0470/NM - FAO Rob Smith
Date: 01 August 2018 15:05:49
Attachments: [NM Standard Consult_723556.PDF](#)

Dear Mr Smith

HSE is a statutory consultee on relevant developments within the consultation distance of a hazardous installation or a major accident hazard pipeline. Planning Authorities should use HSE's Planning Advice Web App to consult HSE on such applications and produce a letter confirming HSE's advice. This service replaces PADHI+ HSE's on-line software decision support tool.

The Web App can be found here;

<http://www.hsl.gov.uk/planningadvice>

All planning authorities were contacted prior to the launch of the Web App with log in details to set up an administrator. This administrator will be able to set up other users within the organisation. If you require details of the administrator for your organisation please contact us.

Planning Authorities should use the Web App to consult HSE on certain developments including any which meet the following criteria, and which lie within the consultation distance (CD) of a major hazard site or major hazard pipeline.

- residential accommodation;
- more than 250m² of retail floor space;
- more than 500m² of office floor space;
- more than 750m² of floor space to be used for an industrial process;
- transport links;
- or which is otherwise likely to result in a material increase in the number of persons working within or visiting the notified area.

There are additional areas where HSE is a statutory consultee. For full details, please refer to annex 2 of HSE's Land Use Planning Methodology: www.hse.gov.uk/landuseplanning/methodology.htm

There is also further information on HSE's land use planning here: www.hse.gov.uk/landuseplanning/

Regards

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