## NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL BUSINESS and ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



## LOCAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY CONSIDERATIONS and RECOMMENDATION

**Application No:** 

NYM17/255/NM

**Proposed Development:** 

non material amendment to NYM/2014/0676/MEIA to allow new

temporary access track

Location:

Woodsmith Mine (Formally Dove's Nest Farm & Haxby

Plantation), Sneatonthorpe

Applicant:

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## Note to the Planning Officer:

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The application is for a non-material amendment to permission NYM/2014/0676/MEIA to use the shaft entrance and the original Doves Nest Farm access for vehicular access to Woodsmith Mine for a temporary period from the commencement of construction.

The access proposals assessed in permission NYM/2014/0676/MEIA were for all construction traffic to use the Shaft access or Welfare Access and for no construction traffic to use the original Doves nest farm access. The highway improvements to create the ghost island right turn lane at the shaft access were to be removed at the end of the construction period.

The proposed amendment is to allow the use of the Shaft access for a short period of up to ten weeks during the construction of the internal roads connecting the welfare Access with the shaft platform area. After this period the use of the shaft access and Doves nest farm access would revert to the uses detailed in the permission NYM/2014/0676/MEIA submissions and conditions.

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The use of the Shaft access during the ten week period will result in less HGV movements at the access than those originally expected from the construction and subsequent removal of the ghost island road improvement required by Conditions 40 and 41. The daily maximum number of HGV movements will be 66 which is below the maximum of 127 trips today established in the TA. Temporary traffic management including temporary traffic signals and a 40 mph zone will be in place during this use of the shaft access. Following the removal of the temporary traffic management future intermittent use of the shaft access will be permitted with appropriate temporary traffic management agreed by the Traffic Management Liaison Group.

The Doves Nest Farm access has been improved during the preparatory phases. These works are considered adequate for the safe use of the access by employees and light goods vehicles during the ten week period. Again once the internal roads are in place staff and light goods vehicles will all use the Welfare Access and access will revert to that permitted by Condition 40.

Given the above matters the Local Highway Authority considers that there are no objections to the proposed non-material amendment to permission NYM/2014/0676/MEIA and recommends that the following **Conditions** are attached to any permission granted:

Prior to the temporary use of the shaft access for HGV construction traffic details of the temporary traffic management, including temporary traffic lights and a 40 mph zone shall be agreed in writing by the local planning authority in consultation with the planning authority. Following the construction of the internal road from the welfare access to the shaft platform area or the expiry of ten weeks, whichever is sooner, the use of the access shall cease and the traffic management shall be removed.

Following the construction of the internal road linking the welfare access to the Doves Nest Farm complex or the expiry of ten weeks, whichever is sooner, the use of the access for employees and light vehicles shall cease. All further access shall be via the Welfare Access.

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