

Sirius Minerals Car Park, Whitby Park & Ride Security Plan

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1 Introduction

This document has been prepared on behalf of Sirius Minerals Plc (Sirius Minerals). It details the security arrangements that will be put in place in the private car park at the Whitby Park & Ride site and has been prepared pursuant to the requirements of Condition 7 of planning permission NYM/2018/0174/FL which requires that:

“Prior to the operation of the private York Potash Ltd part of the site, a scheme detailing the security arrangements, including number of security staff, and arrangements for the operation of the different openings hours for the two parts of the site shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority”.

2 Background

The North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) secured planning permission for 450 car parking spaces, together with associated highway alterations and landscaping in January 2013 (Planning Reference NYM/2012/0757/EIA). This car park, which is referred to for the remainder of this report as the ‘public park and ride car park’, is owned and operated by the North Yorkshire County Council and open to the public seven days a week from April to October.

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/whitby-park-and-ride>

In August 2015, NYCC went on to secure a variation to planning permission NYM/2012/0757/EIA to accommodate an additional 180 private car parking spaces and associated lighting within the northern landscape buffer of the site (Planning Reference NYM/2014/0864/FL). This car park, which is referred to for the remainder of this report as the ‘private car park’, was intended for York Potash Ltd (Sirius Minerals) use in association with the York Potash Project.

The North York Moors National Park Authority (NYMNP) is currently considering a variation to Planning Reference NYM/2014/0864/FL to accommodate a number of minor design changes to the design of the private car park, the welfare building in the adjoining public car park and the link walkway between the two areas (Planning Reference NYM/2018/0174/FL). A decision is due on this application shortly.

3 Facilities

Sirius Minerals and its contractors will have access to the following facilities at the Whitby Park & Ride site:

- 187 car parking spaces within the private car park;
- The main welfare building, including waiting area, new office and amenities;
- On-site CCTV cameras; and
- Sirius Minerals bus shelter.

4 Operations

Generally, workers will be engaged on standard shift patterns of 7am to 7pm and 7pm to 7am for 'construction staff' and 8.30am to 5pm for 'admin support' staff. The private car park is expected to operate on a 24-hour basis, 365 days of the year.

5 Security Provisions

5.1 Personnel

5.1.1 Sirius Identification Card

So that security Guards can distinguish between Sirius personnel (which includes Sirius Mineral employees and its contractors) and members of the general public, Sirius personnel will be required to carry their Sirius-issued access card (which includes photo identification) at all times. This access card will be required to gain access to the Park & Ride site.

Each employee and contractor will be given a security induction and rules to be adhered to as part of Sirius' standard internal induction process.

5.2 Security Guards

The private car park will be monitored by a security guard 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The security guard will be responsible for providing site entrance control, reviewing the CCTV cameras, patrolling and responding to emergency situations within the private car park.

The security guard will have access to a dedicated office in the main welfare building.

5.3 Vehicle Access Provisions

5.3.1 Main Entrance

Access to the Park & Ride Facility will be controlled via the existing main entrance gates (off the B1460/ A171 roundabout and) and a new rising arm barrier (barrier 1) located just inside.

At times when the public park and ride is open to the public, the main entrance gates will remain open and rising arm barrier 1 will remain up. At times when the public park and ride is not open to the public but access is required for Sirius Minerals personnel (namely shift change over times), the main gates will remain open and barrier 1 will remain lowered. Vehicles will enter the site via Sirius-issued access card.

After entering the Park & Ride Facility, vehicles will then travel to the private car park (following private parking signs). Parking by Sirius Personnel in parking spaces within the public car park shall be strictly forbidden at all times with compliance monitored routinely by the security guard.

5.3.2 Private Car Park Entry and Exit

To restrict members of public accessing the private car park, entry and exit to the private car park shall be controlled via rising arm barriers on both the entrance (barrier 2) and exit points (barrier 3) which will be activated via Sirius-issued access card.

5.4 CCTV Surveillance

Security Guards shall have access to the existing CCTV surveillance system, with cameras positioned to view the site entrances, car parking spaces and facilities.

5.5 Security Lighting

Lighting will be provided via bollard lighting columns; the details of which were submitted as part of the main planning application for the scheme.

To ensure that these lights comply with the National Park's dark skies policies, the lights will only be turned on at peak times (namely shift change over times) and during the event of an emergency. At all other times, the lights will remain off.

5.6 Audit

Sirius will carry out regular security audits to ensure that the security of the site remains robust throughout the life of its use.