

Planning & Regulatory Committee 30 July 2014

UPDATE SHEET TO AGENDA ITEM 7

Minerals & Waste Application: TA/2013/1799

Mercers South, Nutfield, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 4EU

Extraction and screening of sand from Mercers South with progressive restoration to agriculture using inert waste materials, together with: the construction of a new dedicated internal access from the A25; screening bunds; the provision of a welfare/office block and mobile home to accommodate staff and security personnel; a wheelwash, weighbridge and associated office; car parking area; reinstatement of rights of way network, woodland, historic hedgerows and ditch to include landscape and ecological enhancements, on a site of 52.2 ha and the temporary diversion of public footpath 173 for the duration of the operations.

CONSULTATIONS AND PUBLICITY

Parish /Town Council and Amenity Groups

44 Nutfield Marsh Residents Group

Object. Raise the following comments:

- Air pollution – health risk from emissions due to increased HGV traffic, odour,
- Transport - safety through narrow sections of A25 in Nutfield, Godstone and Bletchingley, vibration from HGVs and damage to our heritage, safety for cyclists, risk to users of M23 from sand and dust, parking of HGVs out of hours,
- Landscape Impact – adverse impact on local amenity groups, loss of trees and tranquillity, significantly would affect distinctive character adjacent to AONB and AGLV,
- Wildlife – detriment to local wildlife, in particular bats, great crested newts, snakes, badgers and deer,
- Hydrology – present extreme weather has seen local flooding, concerns over pumping of water on flooding, detriment to watertable and potential pollution from neighbouring landfills
- Bunds and Clay Storage Area - will cause noise, dust and disturbance to local properties, contribute to flooding, clay storage up to 6m and visible from surrounding areas
- Hours of working – light pollution from winter working, Saturday working impinges on quality of life

(Officer comment: The above issues have already been covered within the report)

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