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For the Attention of: Chris Johnston – Case Officer
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12 October 2021

Dear Chris

PLANNING APPLICATION: DOC/2021/0097 COND

Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 4, 5, 9, 10, 12 & 14 of SMD/2021/0212; Old Engine Farm, Perkins Lane, Dilhorne

Thank you for your consultation letter of 05 October 2021 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above discharge of condition application.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

The Coal Authority Response:

Conditions 9 and 10 of the permission seek to address coal mining legacy issues, notably the undertaking of intrusive site investigations and any necessary remedial measures, prior to the commencement of development.

The Coal Authority notes the letter (dated 23 September 2021) from Sladen Associates Ltd, which has been submitted in support of the discharge of the aforementioned planning conditions. The letter confirms the sinking of boreholes to confirm ground conditions and to identify any necessary remedial measures.

The letter provides confirmation that neither coal or shallow workings were encountered and that risks posed by mine gas are also very low. The Coal Authority is therefore satisfied that the issue of the potential for coal mining legacy to affect the proposed development has been adequately investigated. The Coal Authority would therefore **have no objections to the LPA discharging Conditions 9 and 10.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

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In formulating this response The Coal Authority has taken full account of the professional conclusions reached by the competent person who has prepared the Coal Mining Risk Assessment or other similar report. In the event that any future claim for liability arises in relation to this development The Coal Authority will take full account of the views, conclusions and mitigation previously expressed by the professional advisers for this development in relation to ground conditions and the acceptability of development.