

# Site monitoring report

Please find detailed below the report for the site monitoring undertaken. If you should have any queries or require any photographs taken on site please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Site Name:** Bradwell Quarry

**File Ref:** 12 421 10

**Operator:** Blackwater Aggregates

**Site Representative:** Patrick Wigg, BA

**Visit no:** 1 of 4

**Date:** 5 June 2024

**Time on site:** 8:15

**Time off site:** 11:30

**Monitoring Officer:** Claire Tomalin      Tel No: 03330 136821

**Site Co-ordinator:** As above

## Permission no's:

ESS/79/20/BTE Variation of ESS/03/18/BTE for A5 and all other active unrestored or in aftercare parts of quarry.

ESS/106/22/BTE – Additional time to complete extraction and restoration in A5 and restoration in A3/A4 – considering responses.

**ESS/12/20/BTE** Extraction of site A7

## Constraints:

- Weather: **Dry**/ Windy / Rain / Snow
- Noise: **Acceptable**/ Not acceptable / N/A
- Approach roads: **Dry** / Dusty / Wet / Muddy / Flooded
- Ground: **Dry** / Dusty / Wet / Damp / Muddy / Flooded
- Access: Obstructed / **Not Obstructed (temporary traffic lights)**/ Mud on Road / Ice / Slippery

- Wheel cleaning: Washer / Spinner / Sweeper / none **N/A**
- Hose: In use / Not in Use / **N/A**
- Machinery: **Working** / Not working
- In correct position: **Yes** / No / N/A
- Stockpiles: Height = **Acceptable**
- Bunds: **Profiled** / Grassed / Some weeds / NA

### **Inspection Results Summary:**

Access road – Showing signs of wear. WREN now responsible for access road and maintenance brought to their attention.

Processing Area - Plant operating. No issues.

Site A7 – Extraction ongoing in phase 1. Phase 2 overburden being stripped.

Site A5 Extraction complete in phase 5. Silt lagoon will delay restoration in phase 3. Further restoration in A5 delayed due to ground nesting birds.

Site A3/A4 – Site A4 phases 3 and 4 and Site A3 phases 1 and 2 put in beans crop.

A4 phases 1 and 2 part in use as silt lagoon. Some correction of levels as required being undertaken outside of bird nesting areas.

Site A2 – In crop.

Eastern end restoration progressed, but not complete. Drainage ditch to which skeleton drainage pipes drained connected reinstated and water running.

### Site R, New Field Lagoon & Hollow Field

NFL level of water above what had been planned, the berm/moat was under water.

WREN/Indaver/Blackwater advised of issues and problems re erosion of NFL slopes and the berm and drainage issues from site R and Maxey Spring field. To be reviewed by Blackwaters/Indaver/WREN in drier weather in 2024. – CT chased WREN.

Hollow Field not checked.

Advanced planting for site A6 – Lost plants have been replaced.

### **Compliance with Conditions:**

#### **Actions from last visit**

Woodland Planting – western bund and Maxey Spring - Remove guards from established plants, fallen guards need removing. Trees located within the PRow need relocating to outside the alignment of the PRow.

Comment: To be considered in conjunction with future PRow orders and discussed with WREN.

Site A6 – Advanced planting needs beating up

Comment: completed

Site A7 – haul road ensure access road at below ground levels and 3m high bunding to the access road in place.

Comment – Needs to be monitored to ensure dump trucks on haul road remain below height of bunds, to aid with minimising dust escape from the site an visual impact.

New Field Lagoon and Hollow Field to north - Drainage/water level issues need resolution

Comment: The levels are understood to be correct, but erosion of banks/berm and flows in and out of NFL to be considered by Blackwaters/Indaver/Wren summer 2024.

Complete restoration/soil placement in site A2 when weather conditions permit.

Comment: Check next visit

Progress restoration of site A5.

Comment: Restoration delayed due to ground nesting birds. Phase 3 in use as silt lagoon.

Progress releveling of sites A3/A4 once NMA determined.

Comment: NMA granted. Some works undertaken, but constrained by bird nesting exclusion zone.

Pantlings Lane - Previous planting that was undertaken in the ditch, should be assessed and guards removed where plants have died to reduce litter and ensure ditch can flow if required. Horses are riding along the southern boundary of site A7 within the site – there is no BW in this location. This will ultimately lead to damage to the new planting, notices should be considered advising private land no access.

Comment: check next visit

**Note: The actions noted in this report are required in order to ensure adequate progress is made and to avoid potential enforcement action against a breach of planning control.**