

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: Rayne Quarry, Broadfield Farm, Dunmow Road, Rayne, Braintree, CM77 6SA

File Ref: 12. 421. 37

Operator: Ingrebourne Valley Limited

Site Representative: Victoria Harris (VH); Stuart McMurdock (SM)

Also attended as part of the Essex Development Management Team Richard Greaves; Claire Tomlin; Tom McCarthy; Shelly Bailey; Phil Dash; Tom Sycamore; Rachel Edney; Chloe Budd; Emma Robinson.

Visit no: 2 of 4 (2024/25)

Date: 27/08/24

Time on site: 12:15

Time off site: 13:30

Monitoring Officer: T Burns Tel No: 03330136440

Site Co-ordinator: As above Tel No:

Permission no's:

ESS/19/17/BTE: Mineral extraction

Constraints:

- Weather: **Dry/ Windy / Rain / Snow**
- Noise
(officer perception) : **Acceptable/ Not acceptable / N/A**
- Approach roads: **Dry / Dusty / Damp/Wet / Muddy / Flooded**
- Ground: **Combination: Dry / Dusty / Wet / Damp / Muddy / Flooded**

- Access: Obstructed / **Not Obstructed**/ Mud on Road / Ice / Slippery
- Wheel cleaning: Washer / Spinner / Sweeper/ water bowser/ Hose (used/not used at time of visit) /**none** N/A –
- Machinery: **Working** / Not working
- In correct position: Yes / No / N/A – **see report**
- Stockpiles: **Height = see report**/Acceptable
- Bunds: **Profiled / Grassed** / Weeds/ NA

Actions from last site visit:

- To check what the commitment was for planting provision on/near perimeter ditches. **Update: Some planting carried out at site entrance and within the north eastern corner of the site.**
- Planting areas to be advised on by Almudena Quiralte (Essex County Council Landscape Officer) **Update: Will advise at next visit.**

Inspection Results Summary:

- Site access clear and unobstructed. Advance road signs now in place.
- Grass recently mown across the site.
- HGV's using weighbridge at time of visit.
- Site extraction/translocated hedgerow and eastern fields visited.
- Lagoon system operational SM looking to access Phase 1C; Pumping in place and backfilling taking place in Phase 1 A and B C. Silt lagoon in Phase 1 to be relocated with backfilled area in near future. Mineral extraction taking place with excavator and dumptruck.
- Archaeological reports due in soon for Phase 1.
- Farmer active with combine in central fields.
- Plant operational at time of visit with a number of stockpiles of primarily stone.
- Site extraction/translocated hedgerow and eastern fields visited.
- Relocated hedgeline looking well with good growth. Rabbit attacks on outside base of fence continues. One or two deeper holes appearing near posts which could be checked for potential breakthrough attempts.
- Stockpiling area empty and awaiting soil bunding along its northern perimeter. Small stockpiles of stones on western side. Front loader active in yard moving sone and levelling yard base and also doing some water bowsing.
- Eastern area now finished and grass in tree planting areas, as with rest of site, has been cut down. All trees now fully exposed and clear of weeds/grass competition. Some 2, 400 trees planted within the three fenced planting areas.
- As this visit was slightly earlier as result of the team visit, the opportunity for the County Landscape Officer to view/comment on the northern boundary advance planting parcel die back/failures amongst certain species would be postponed to the next visit.

Compliance with Conditions:

Permission/Condition ESS/19/17/BTE No: 14 Topographical Surveys

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Periodic surveys

Action to be taken by Operator: Periodic surveys as required by the condition

Permission/Condition ESS/19/17/BTE No: 15 Vehicle Routing

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: See decision notice

Action to be taken by Operator: Recording of HGV movements

Permission/Condition ESS/19/17/BTE No: 22 Need for Ecological Surveys prior to Phase entry.

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: See decision notice

Action to be taken by Operator: Prior survey confirmation needed prior to entry into Phases.

Permission/Condition ESS/19/17/BTE No: 27: Lighting

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Scheme required if external lighting required

Action to be taken by Operator: Scheme prior to Lighting needs.

Permission/Condition ESS/19/17/BTE No: 40: Fixed plant and buildings etc

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Details required for ancillary needs.

Action to be taken by Operator: Scheme prior to ancillary needs.

Actions to be taken before next site visit:

- To check what the commitment was for planting provision on/near perimeter ditches.
- Planting areas to be advised on by County Landscape Officer at next meeting.
- Useful for clarity on method of weed suppression on tree planting locations.

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.

Date of Next Meeting: 12th December 2024 @ 13:30

Report Date: 27/08/24