

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, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Site Name: Sunnymead (Land to the South of Colchester Main Road, Nr Wivenhoe, Alresford, CO7 8DB

File Ref: 14 421 27

Operator: Tarmac Aggregates Ltd

Site Representative: Daniel Congdon – Quarry Supervisor, Tarmac

Kelven Nichols – Tarmac

Visit no: 3 of 4

Date: 05/11/24

Time on site: 10:30am

Time off site: 11:45am

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Permission no's:

- ESS/28/23/TEN (amends ESS/17/18/TEN).
- ESS/28/23/TEN/NMA Non-material amendment to Condition 18 attached to permission ref ESS/28/23/TEN to allow alterations to the approved positioning of tree protection fencing.

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 / 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 / Seeded

Actions from last site visit:

- Woodland Block AP1 to be strimmed/sprayed as necessary to ensure crop and weed growth is kept under control. **Complete.**
- Hedgerow planting along FP19 to be weed controlled. Dog rose has not survived and this should be monitored so that replacements can be planted at the appropriate time. If dog rose is not surviving it would be useful to find out why. Possibly a different species is required. **In progress.**
- Noise monitoring under Condition 39 required. **Complete.**
- Bat monitoring to continue under Condition 12. Ongoing.
- The requirements of the approved CEMP (Condition 14 ESS/28/23/TEN) must be being followed, as well as the surveys for bats and dormice as per Condition 15. **Ongoing.**
- Reminder that an annual soils audit will need to be submitted at the end of the year under Condition 59, so please keep track of quantities of top and subsoils. **Submitted.**

Inspection Results Summary:

- No working on site currently. The only activity on site was the archaeologists in the implementation phase.
- The site access onto Colchester Main Road is not in place, as previously. Highways consents are awaited.
- Bunds A, C and B were in position, profiled and seeded, containing correct soil type according to the approved Soils Stocking plan. Bund C is partially complete, containing a gap to the south of Charity's Farm. This should be rectified as soon as possible, noting the current access problems.
- Woodland Block AP1 has been maintained.
- A count has been undertaken to establish survival rates for specimens in the hedgerow (P-H2) along FP19. Tarmac to update the MPA on proposals and species for replacement planting. This should be carried out this planting season.
- Soils stripping has been carried out in Phase 1 and across the Implementation Phase. Most of the remainder of the southern part of Phase 1 has been stripped, but a small area remains and activity on site has ceased for the time being.
- Soil stripping is a temporary operation and, as such, requires noise monitoring as set out in the 'scheme for monitoring noise levels approved under Condition 40, as follows:

'Noise monitoring surveys will also be undertaken at least once during each phase of temporary operations such as soil stripping and bund formation if the duration of the temporary operations is sufficient to schedule the survey during that period.'

As such, Tarmac has carried out noise monitoring during the soil stripping phase. A report has identified that at all locations the estimated site noise level was below the routine 'day to day' noise limits for the site and as such the temporary operations do not need to fall within the 8-week temporary operations noise quota. Additionally, a report does not need to be submitted to the MPA, but has been for completeness.

- It was stated on site that bat monitoring is continuing in accordance with Condition 12.
- It was stated on site that surveys for bats/dormice have been undertaken as per Condition 15 and 14, and that the CEMP approved under Condition 14 is being followed.
- An Annual Soils Audit has been submitted under Condition 59.
- Dust monitoring has been submitted in accordance with Condition 11. Whilst it is not required to be submitted, it has been provided for completeness and to show dust levels have been in compliance with the required limits.

Actions to be taken before next site visit:

- Bat monitoring to continue in accordance with Condition 12.
- Liaison meetings to continue twice per year as per S106.
- Tarmac to update the MPA on proposals and species for replacement planting in the hedgerow (P-H2) along FP19. Replacement planting to be carried out this season.

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.