

# 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, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Site Name:** Blackley Quarry, Gt Leighs, Chelmsford, Essex, CM3 1QP

**File Ref:** 23 421 31

**Operator:** Frank Lyons Plant Services (FLP)

**Site Representative:** Tony Pearmain (FLP)

**Visit no:** 3 of 4

**Date:** 9 Dec 2024

**Time on site:** 10:15

**Time off site:** 12:00

**Monitoring Officer:** Claire Tomalin

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**Site Co-ordinator:** Claire Tomalin:

**Permission no's:** ESS/42/17/CHL – Variation to ESS/46/16/CHL to allow amendments to planting timing, bunding and condition wordings. Decision issued and implemented.

ESS/96/21/CHL – Variation to plant details and new workshop, awaiting determination.

## Constraints:

- Weather: **Dry/** Windy / Rain / Snow/ Fog
- 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 (operational)**/ Sweeper / none N/A
- Hose: In use / **Not in Use** / N/A

- Machinery: **New s and g plant working**
- In correct position: **Yes / No / N/A**
- Stockpiles: acceptable.
- Bunds: Profiled / Grassed / **Weeds / NA**

### **Inspection Results Summary:**

Access road – Concrete access roads needs to be swept. The wheel wash was operational. The slip onto the A131 should be swept as there is potential for material/debris to be carried out onto the public highway.

Original site overview – The MPA has been advised by Frank Lyons Plant that the original Blackley site has been sold to Moulsham Hall estates/the Racecourse. Frank Lyons Plant have removed all processing plant from the site. The original site is now the responsibility of Moulsham Hall Estates and from now on a separate Site Monitoring report for the original site will be provided to the new owners.

There are some stockpiles of hardcore for tracks and dry screened sand within the original stocking area, which Frank Lyons Plant still needs to utilise/sell or move into MLP Sites A38 and A39.

Weighbridge office – The parking area next to the new location for the weighbridge in site A38, has not been fenced off from the quarry void, while not directly a planning matter, for health and safety perspective this needs to be addressed.

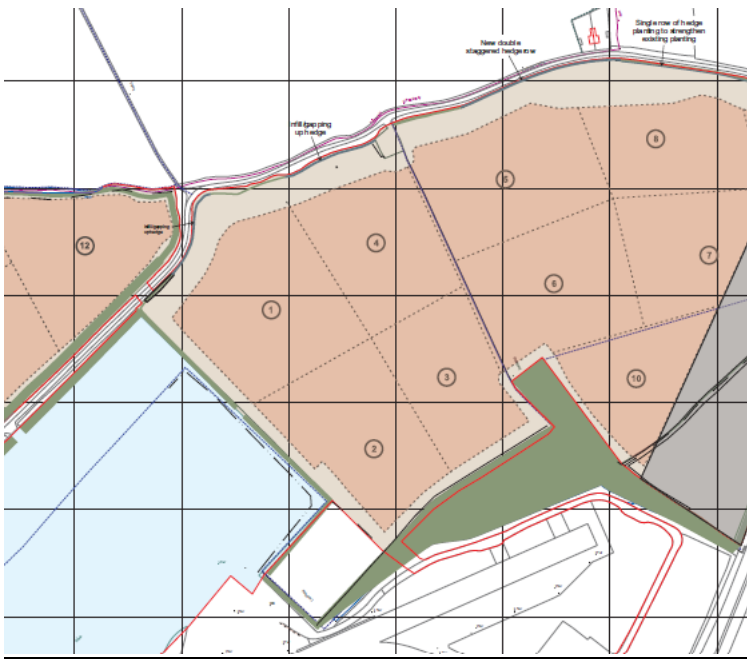
### A38 Extraction area

Extraction continuing in phase 5 and 6, some slope failure on north face. Overburden removal being placed on alignment of original footpath to aid its relocation in readiness for moving to phase 7 and 8. Dry screener and some plant being stored in phase 3.

New plant operational, however, at this stage does not have planning permission, application still outstanding awaiting additional information on noise.

Sand stockpile in Phase 2

Stand-off to Blackley Cottages from the excavation face was being maintained.



**Permission under 2017 EIA regulations?:** Yes

**Proposed Mitigation Measures:**

No major adverse effects were identified as part of EIA.

**Actions carried forward from last visit:**

An existing access into site A39 on Moulsham Hall Lane was proposed to be planted across on Moulsham Hall Lane remains. The landowner is reluctant for this access to be planted and therefore it remains unplanted. This matter needs to be addressed.

Comment No progress.

Submit outstanding details with respect to conditions 48 (bund maintenance), 50 (soil storage locations), 60 (dewatering), 62 (surface water drainage), 64 (groundwater monitoring scheme).

Comment: No progress.

Dry screener to be operated at lower level

Comment: not operational at time of visit

Progress outstanding application ESS/96/21/CHL

Comment: Awaiting additional information on noise.

Sweep access road – this needs to be regularly undertaken and should include the slip onto the A131.

Need to progress Environmental Permit for inert landfill, such that operator in a position to be able to import inert waste and start reinstatement of completed extraction phases when all excavated overburden has been utilised.

Comment: TP advised no progress

### **Actions from this visit**

- See previous outstanding actions above.
- Barrier/fence required next to parking area for weighbridge.

**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.**