

Minutes

Subject: **Wolston Fields Quarry Liaison Committee**
 Date: **Tuesday 5th July 2016**
 Location: **Hills Room, Ryton Gardens, Wolston Lane, CV8 3LG**

Present: Cllr Heather Timms (Chair)
 Mr Tom Evans (Senior Planner – Warwickshire CC)
 Cllr Ian Spiers (Ryton on Dunsmore Parish Council)
 Cllr Tim Harvey Smith (Wolston Parish Council)
 Cllr Arthur Parker (Wolston Parish Council)
 Ms Carole Garner (Facilities Manager – Ryton Gardens)
 Mr John Green (Operations Manager - Smiths Concrete)
 Mr Andy Duncan (Landscape Manager – Smiths Concrete)
 Mr Mark Page (Land and Planning Manager - Smiths Concrete)

Apologies: Ms Julie Court (Finance Director – Ryton Gardens)
 Cllr Geoff Marsh (Ryton On Dunsmore Parish Council)
 Mr Andy Stubbs (General Manager - Smiths Concrete)
 Mr Matthew Williams (Senior Planner – Warwickshire CC)

Distribution: All those above and Mr Ted Beale (Sheldon Bosley)

Minutes taken by: Mark Page

No	Item	Responsible
1.	<p><u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</u></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 April 2016 were accepted as representing a true and fair reflection of the discussions which had taken place.</p>	
2.	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p> <p>Addressed in following items.</p>	

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3.	<p data-bbox="316 331 1043 367"><u>OPERATORS UPDATE (update provided by Mr Green)</u></p> <p data-bbox="316 434 1321 640">3.1 Sand and gravel extraction is currently being undertaken in the first area of Phase 3; phases 1 and 2 having been fully worked and largely reinstated to a combination of ponds and nature conservation areas. To date, 232,000 tonnes of sand and gravel have been extracted from the Wolston site and transported to Bubbenhall quarry for processing.</p> <p data-bbox="316 707 1294 837">3.2 Smiths will be taking soils off the remainder of the southern stage of phase 3 this summer when ground conditions are drier. Once stripped of soils this will release sufficient sand and gravel to last until summer 2017.</p> <p data-bbox="316 904 1326 1249">3.3 Inert materials are currently being brought into the site from the Toll Bar project. These inert materials are being placed in the worked out quarry void in phase 3 to bring the levels back up to original ground level. Phase 3 to be restored to agricultural use. It is anticipated that inert materials from the Toll Bar project will finish mid-July. No further inert material is expected to come from Toll Bar. The remainder of phase 3 and later phases will also require the use of imported inert fill to achieve the approved restoration scheme; such material to be sourced from the local construction market</p> <p data-bbox="316 1317 1326 1590">3.4 Smiths are aware of the need to ensure the public highway is kept as clean as possible. All lorries when leaving the site use the on-site wheel cleaner which removes any mud and other deleterious material from the lorries wheels. A wheelwash has now been installed and is being used by HGVs exiting the site. There were some initial 'teething issues' with the wheelwash but these have since been rectified and this should improve the situation. However, this matter will be kept under review.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1657 1289 1724">3.5 A site visit with members of Wolston Parish Council took place in May.</p>	Mr Green
4.	<p data-bbox="316 1792 738 1827"><u>COUNTY COUNCIL'S UPDATE</u></p> <p data-bbox="316 1895 1241 1993">4.1 The county council undertook a site monitoring visit at Wolston Fields quarry on 17th May 2016. The quarry was operating in accordance with the planning conditions.</p>	

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	<p>4.2 Mr Evans confirmed that Mr Williams continues to liaise with Highways regarding the additional quarry traffic signage. Members of the committee expressed disappointment that the signs have not yet been installed and Cllr Timms requested that Mr Evans ask Mr Williams to keep her regularly updated on progress</p>	Mr Williams
5.	<p><u>OBSERVATIONS/ COMMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>5.1 The parish councils' principal concern relates to the condition of the public highway and the need for Smiths to manage the situation carefully so that the road is kept clean. Cllr Spiers stated that he had observed residual mud on the road and questioned whether HGVs use a wheelwash when leaving Toll Bar. It is thought that they do not. – see comments above in Operator's update</p> <p>5.2 One lorry was observed travelling through Ryton. Cllr Spiers stated that he spoke directly to John Hughes who said he would take appropriate action.</p> <p>5.3 Under the S106 Smiths is due to contribute 50% of the costs of the footway improvement along Wolston Lane up to a maximum of £9000. There was debate whether all the footway works had been completed. The county council to invoice Smiths.</p>	Mr Evans
6.	<p><u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u></p> <p>6.1 Mr Page confirmed that Smiths were looking at potential sand and gravel sites to replace Wolston Fields quarry. Two possible sites in the locality are Coney Grey Farm and land at Barbellows Farm. A drilling investigation has been carried out on both sites in the last few months and the company is currently evaluating the results of the investigation to determine whether these sites are a viable prospect. Mr Page said he hoped to provide further information at the next meeting.</p>	

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7.	<p data-bbox="316 331 676 367"><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p data-bbox="316 432 1321 501">7.1 Tuesday 4th October 2016 at 4.00 pm at Hills Room, Ryton Gardens, Wolston Lane, CV8 3LG.</p>	