



Smiths Concrete

Minutes

Subject: **Wolston Fields Quarry Liaison Committee**
Date: **Tuesday 19th January 2016**
Location: **Doubleday Room, Ryton Gardens, Wolston Lane, CV8 3LG**

Present: Cllr Heather Timms (Chair)
Mr Matthew Williams (Planning Officer – Warwickshire CC)
Cllr Ian Spiers (Ryton on Dunsmore Parish Council)
Cllr Geoff Marsh (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 Andy Stubbs (General Manager - Smiths Concrete)
Mr John Green (Operations Manager - Smiths Concrete)
Mr Andy Duncan (Landscape Manager - Smiths Concrete)
Mr Bob Woodbridge (Principal Geologist – Smiths Concrete)
Mr Mark Page (Land and Planning Manager - Smiths Concrete)

Apologies: Ms Julie Court (Finance Director – Ryton Gardens)

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

Minutes taken by: Mark Page

No	Item	Responsible
1.	<u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</u> The minutes of the previous meeting held on 8 th September 2015 were unanimously approved.	
2.	<u>MATTERS ARISING</u> Addressed in following items	

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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 1318 568">3.1 The wildflower seed mix obtained from Emorsgate Seeds has been sown on the soil bund opposite Ryton Gardens. Reeds were planted around the edges of the phase 1 pond this week. Mr Duncan confirmed that some tree planting will take place shortly.</p> <p data-bbox="316 636 1318 806">3.2 Sand and gravel extraction from phase 3 (on top of the hill) stopped on 16th December and recommenced on 11th January. The expected annual tonnage of 150,000 tonnes of sand and gravel has been dug and transported to Bubbenhall for processing in the last 12 months. It is estimated that there is another 5 years to go.</p> <p data-bbox="316 873 1318 1146">3.3 Smiths will be taking soils off the remainder of the southern stage of phase 3 this Spring/Summer 2016 again under the watch of Museum of London Archaeology and hopefully restoring as much land as it can once the clay starts coming in from the Toll Bar roundabout. Awaiting confirmation from the contractor but this could start March / April although there was some doubt expressed by committee members regarding these timings due to the delays encountered on the Toll Bar project.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1214 1318 1348">3.4 Spring/Summer 2017 - the company should be moving into the northern part of the site beyond the sewage treatment works to strip soils from phase 4, again, under the watch of Museum of London Archaeology.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1415 1318 1796">3.5 The routing agreement provides for all the tipper trucks hauling mineral from Wolston to Bubbenhall and return to use the A45 and Oxford Road and not to go through Ryton village. To help enforce this after the last meeting a list of John Hughes tipper truck registration numbers was supplied to Cllr Marsh. A tipper truck with a 2011 registration on the list was spotted on 16th September twice going through Ryton village. This was investigated and it was confirmed the truck is no longer owned by John Hughes as it had been sold and replaced with a 2015 registration. This new truck registration number was passed on to Cllr Marsh and Mr Green has asked John Hughes to keep him updated on any vehicle changes.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1863 1318 2033">3.6 A visit to the Wolston site for Liaison Committee Members took place on Saturday morning 17th October. Following on from that visit Mr Green has received a request from Wolston Parish Clerk to see if he can arrange a visit for interested residents .This will take place sometime March onwards when the weather should be a little drier.</p>	<p data-bbox="1353 434 1445 465">Smiths</p> <p data-bbox="1353 1863 1481 1895">Mr Green</p>

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4.	<p data-bbox="316 297 1177 331"><u>COUNTY COUNCIL'S UPDATE (update provided by Mr Williams)</u></p> <p data-bbox="316 398 1265 499">4.1 The county council undertook a site monitoring visit at Wolston Fields quarry on 17th December 2015. The quarry is operating in accordance with the planning conditions.</p> <p data-bbox="316 566 1297 835">4.2 Mr Williams has spoken with County Highways regarding traffic routing signage. Four locations were suggested to install "No HGV quarry traffic" signs. The parish councils confirmed they were happy with the proposed location and wording of the signs. Mr Williams will progress further with Highways. Cllr Marsh enquired about timings for installing the signs. Mr Williams will give an indication of timescales once he has discussed the matter with Highways.</p> <p data-bbox="316 902 1313 1081">4.3 Highways appear to be less keen regarding a warning sign located on Wolston Lane between the A45 roundabout and quarry entrance, however at the request of Councillors Mr Williams will raise this matter with Highways again. It was suggested that a simple sign saying "Lorries turning" might suffice.</p> <p data-bbox="316 1149 1297 1350">4.4 The latest draft Minerals Plan has just finished a round of consultation with hundreds of responses received on the proposed site allocations for mineral working; some sites receiving considerably more interest than others. The county council will review the responses and issue a further draft of the Plan for consultation. The county council intend to adopt the Plan in 2017.</p>	<p data-bbox="1353 566 1513 600">Mr Williams</p> <p data-bbox="1353 902 1513 936">Mr Williams</p>
5.	<p data-bbox="316 1417 1042 1451"><u>OBSERVATIONS/ COMMENTS OF THE COMMITTEE</u></p> <p data-bbox="316 1518 1313 1619">5.1 Cllr Spiers mentioned that the road surface on Wolston Lane near to the quarry entrance is showing signs of deterioration. Mr Williams to discuss matter with County Highways</p>	<p data-bbox="1353 1518 1513 1552">Mr Williams</p>

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	<p>5.2 Cllr Spiers would like to see the foot way improved on Wolston Lane. Part of the footway (near the quarry entrance) has been improved recently but there is a further section that requires attention. Cllr Timms to follow up with Highways. Mr Williams to check Section 106 as there is an obligation on Smiths to provide some financial contribution towards the footway.</p> <p>5.3 Cllr Harvey Smith referred to a complaint received from a local resident of mud on the road. Mr Green confirmed that the road is regularly swept. Cllr Timms suggested that any complaint should be accompanied by photographs. It was generally felt that the road was being kept reasonably clean.</p> <p>5.4 Cllr Marsh reported that one HGV (reg BU05 FUF) was observed travelling through Ryton at 11am on 23rd December 2015 heading towards Wolston and loaded with sand. Otherwise HGVs appear to be operating in accordance with the agreed routing plan.</p> <p>5.5 Cllr Parker and Mrs Garner thanked Smiths for the recent site visits for Wolston Parish Council and Ryton Gardens respectively.</p>	Cllr Timms/ Mr Williams
6.	<p><u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</u></p> <p>6.1 Mr Page confirmed that Smiths were still 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 for both sites was intended to be undertaken towards the end of 2015 however this has been delayed to spring this year due to the recent wet weather.</p>	
7.	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p>7.1 Tuesday 12th April 2016 at 4.00 pm at Doubleday Room, Ryton Gardens, Wolston Lane, CV8 3LG.</p>	