PLANNING PERMISSION

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Part I - Particulars of application

Date of Application Application No.:
5th March 2004 DA/04/344C

Particulars and location of development
Importation of naturally occurring materials (soils) to achieve the restoration of phase 3 of quarry workings, Land at Pitsford Quarry, Harborough Road, Pitsford

Part II - Particulars of decision:

The Northamptonshire County Council

Hereby give notice in pursuance of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that permission has been granted for the carrying out of the development referred to in Part I hereof in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the following conditions:-

Scope of Planning Permission

1. This consent is supplementary to the modern conditions planning permission (DA/97/1140C) dated the 31st July 1998, for mineral extraction and restoration and provides for the importation of a limited amount of naturally occurring materials (soils) in connection with the restoration of phase 3 of the quarry workings to its original contours. It is subject to the conditions of the existing principal planning permission and the following additional conditions:-

2. The restoration of this part of the quarry shall take place in two separate stages as specified in the planning application. The amount of soil to be brought onto the site for the restoration of the western area shall not exceed 16,700m$^3$ and no more than 4,300m$^3$ shall be imported for the later restoration of the eastern area, the route of the haul road.

Note: This permission only relates to planning permission and does not include consent under the Building Regulations for which separate permission may be required. The requirements of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970, the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and the Special Education Needs and Disability Act 2001 should also be adhered to wherever appropriate.
3. The imported materials shall consist of clean inert naturally occurring soils and shall not include any construction waste or materials suitable for recycling.

4. Topsoil storage within the defined area of Boughton Park shall be for a temporary period of 6 months only and specific measures shall be taken to protect the ground surface of the Park. The proposed measures shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the County Planning Authority before the development commences.

5. Precise details of the form of acoustic fencing to be erected along the northern boundary of the site shall be submitted to the County Planning Authority for approval in writing prior to the commencement of the development.

6. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the County Planning Authority, the restoration of the western strip shall take place immediately after the minerals have been extracted from this area and the eastern section shall be restored by the 30th June 2014.

Reasons for conditions and relevant Development Plan Policies

1. To define this permission.

2. To ensure that the amount of material brought onto the site is restricted and does not exceed that necessary to complete the restoration of this part of the site.

3. To ensure that the materials are appropriate for the restoration of the site to agricultural use.

4. To protect the historic landscape of Boughton Park.

5. In the interests of visual amenity.

6. To specify the end date by which the whole of the operations are expected to be completed.

Reasons for Approval

This application relates to the bringing in of a limited amount of naturally occurring materials to assist with the restoration of phase 3 of the quarry site. There is a shortfall of mineral waste on site. Importation of soils will enable this relatively small area adjacent to Boughton Park to be restored back to its original contours for return to agricultural use. It will not involve any additional traffic movements as the importation would be by way of “back loads”. No objections are raised by Daventry District Council or Pitsford Parish Council and whilst Boughton expressed some reservations, their concerns have largely been resolved. The restoration meets the objectives of policy M5 of the County Structure Plan and the development should be approved.

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8th June 2004

Signed

Authorised to sign on behalf of the County Planning, Transportation and Environment Officer

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