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Dear Sir/Madam,

Outline planning application with all matters reserved (except for access) for the development of up to 140 residential dwellings (C3 Use), with access from Meyrick Road, the provision of open space, landscaping and other associated works including demolition of existing buildings on site at Land at Kingscroft Farm adjacent to Ridgway and, Marples Way, Havant.

Thank you for consulting Hampshire County Council as the mineral planning authority (MPA) regarding the above planning application.

The proposed development lies within the mineral and waste consultation area – minerals section. This area is informed by the mineral safeguarding area (MSA) as defined through **Policy 15: Safeguarding – mineral resources** of the adopted Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan (2013) (HMWP) and indicates where viable, safeguarded mineral resources are likely to be present.

The purpose of this policy is to protect economically viable mineral resource deposits from needless and unnecessary sterilisation, in line with Chapter 17 of the [National Planning Policy Framework](#) (NPPF). The policy seeks to maximise the recovery of viable mineral resources prior to development, this concept is known as prior extraction.

Whilst we, as the MPA, acknowledge the Mineral Resource Assessment (MRA) concluded prior extraction is unsuitable, Section 3.2 outlines recommendations to undertake the incidental extraction of minerals. It is our stance that full consideration must be given to the opportunities for mineral extraction prior to and/or as part of the proposed development ('incidental extraction'). It would be expected that high quality material, such as sand,

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gravel and soft sand would be processed and used for construction purposes, while lower quality material could be used for fill or similar.

Particular opportunities may lie in the recovery of mineral deposits uncovered during the preparation and construction phases of the project, for example through the excavation of footings or trenches for buildings, roads, landscaping, drainage and utility infrastructure associated with the development.

The recovered mineral re-used on site, would encourage a reduction of excavation waste removed from site as well as inbound materials for construction uses associated with reduced costs. In addition, export of the recovered mineral off-site to a local mineral operator for further treatment which has potential for revenue. It is recommended that discussions are made between the developer and a local mineral operator at the earliest stage.

Additional vehicle movements as well as noise, dust and vibration issues should not be 'above and beyond' what is expected in the construction phase, and so MRAs should apply the same buffers that are used for the construction activities.

Hampshire County Council therefore request the following conditions to be included in any permission for this planning application, to be delivered through submitted construction management plans or similar, requiring a statement outlining:

- i. a method for ensuring that minerals that can be viably recovered during the development operations are recovered and put to beneficial use; and
- ii. a method to record the quantity of recovered mineral (re-use on site or off site) and to report this data to the MPA.

Hampshire County Council is available to discuss this further with Havant Borough Council, as well as the applicant.

Further information on Hampshire County Council's approach to safeguarding is available in the adopted [Minerals and Waste Safeguarding in Hampshire Supplementary Planning Document](#) (SPD), which can be found on our [website](#).

Yours faithfully,

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