

Cotswolds Conservation Board Fosse Way, Northleach Gloucestershire, GL54 3JH 01451 862000 8th December 2017

APPLICATION NO: 17/0099/CWMAJW

DESCRIPTION: Removal of condition 3 (HGV Movements) and 4 (Infill Quantity Limits) relating to planning consent 14/0104/CWMAJW [Revised Restoration Proposals], dated 13/08/2015

LOCATION: Cotswold Hill Quarry, Ford, Temple Guiting, Gloucestershire GL54 5RU

Thank you for consulting the Cotswolds Conservation Board (the Board) in connection with the above. Having looked at the application details the Board wishes to raise an **objection**.

The Board notes that overall number of vehicle movements remain the same, as per the previous permission. The Board has no objection to these continuing as permitted.

Should this permission be granted vehicle movements could be increased/concentrated over shorter periods of time. This is likely to have a detrimental impact on

- resident amenity
- visitors to the AONB
- tranquility in this area of the AONB

The Board accepts that these 'peaks' of vehicle movement may well be followed by 'troughs' with fewer vehicles movements where the impacts above will likely be reduced. We also understand the applicants' desire for additional flexibility. However, as the site is within the nationally protected AONB, the Board advises that some restrictions remain in place. The Board recommends that Gloucestershire County Council seek to arrive at a mutually acceptable solution with the applicant which can form a revised (rather than removed) condition 3.

The Council, as a public authority, is required by Section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 to have regard to the purpose of designation of the AONB in exercising its functions with respect to the area.

The Board recommends that the decision-maker takes into account the following:

- The Cotswolds AONB Management Plan 2013-18
- The Cotswolds AONB Landscape Character Assessment
- The Cotswolds AONB Landscape Strategy and Guidelines

As appropriate the Board's Position Statements on

- Development Affecting the Setting of the Cotswolds AONB
- Tranquillity and Dark Skies
- Housing and Development
- Affordable Housing
- Biodiversity Planning
- Employment
- Renewable Energy

All documents are available on the Board's website: http://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/

Trusting the above is of assistance,

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