

Annex 2 - Oxfordshire Summary of Key Data 2020

Summary – Oxfordshire County Council 2020									
Quarry Sales	2020 Sales (Mt) & Trend	Average (10-yr) Sales & Trend	Average (3-yr) Sales & Trend	LAA 2021 Rate (Mt) ²	Reserve (Mt)	Landbank (years)	Allocations (years)	Capacity (Mtpa)	Comments
Soft Sand	↓ 0.210	↑ 0.218	↓ 0.239	0.243	3.915	16.11	N/A	0.365	LAA rate remains at 0.243mtpa Landbank above 10-year requirement
Sharp Sand & Gravel	↓ 0.830	↑ 0.683	↑ 0.873	1.015	11.439	11.27	N/A	2.072	LAA rate remains at 1.015mtpa Landbank above 10-year requirement
Crushed Rock	↑ 1.087	↑ 0.730	↑ 0.894	0.778	7.151	9.19	N/A	1.950	LAA rate remains at 0.778mtpa Landbank below 10-year requirement
Recycled / Secondary Aggregates	↑ 0.439	N/A	N/A	0.926	n/a	N/A	N/A	0.824	Only 10 operators responded, so for this survey we used last 3 years sales for those we had details from previous data from. Gave a 58% operator detail
Rail Depot Sales (Sand & Gravel)	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	Due to confidentiality due to two operators of the four sites, we are unable to share these figures
Rail Depot Sales (Crushed Rock)	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	Due to confidentiality, we are unable to share these figures

General Comments

2020 saw the Global Pandemic due to Covid. This was a highly unusual year as the Country was in lockdown, with different industries opening at different times.

There has been a decrease in all Sand and Gravel sales in Oxfordshire, but a significant increase in Crushed Rock Sales.

There has been a further drop in Recycled and Secondary Aggregates, but this could be due to lockdown.

A permission at Shellingford was granted in 2020, which added additional reserves to soft sand and crushed rock reserves.

The LAA Rate of 1.015mt for sharp sand and gravel has as set in the LAA2014 and each subsequent LAA, and also contained within the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy, has been maintained as it is felt this reflects the level of future demand and the current sales figures.

The LAA rate for Soft Sand and Crushed Rock have been maintained within this LAA, though whilst soft sand sales fell this year and crushed rock was considerably higher than previous years, the full implications of Covid and the lockdown on the operation of sites, and the planned growth is as yet unknown.

Using the Crushed Rock LAA Rate, we are still below the required 10-year landbank for the third consecutive year. This issue will be considered within the Core Strategy Review and the work on the Minerals and Waste Local Plan Part 2: Site Allocations Plan.