



Planning & Regulation Committee Monday, 16 January 2017

ADDENDA

1. Apologies for Absence and Temporary Appointments

<i>Apologies for absence</i>	<i>Temporary Appointments</i>
Councillor Mrs Catherine Fulljames Councillor Stewart Lilly	Councillor Lawrie Stratford -

4. Petitions and Public Address

<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Item</i>
Paul Keyte (on behalf of the Applicants)	5. Great Tew Ironstone Quarry

6. **Proposed extension of ironstone extraction, revocation of existing consented mineral extraction, export of clay, construction of temporary and permanent landforms, retention of an existing overburden store, relocation of consented stone saw shed, replacement quarry, farm and estate office building, erection of a new shoot store and multi-purpose building at Great Tew Ironstone Quarry, Butchers Hill, Great Tew, Chipping Norton - Application MW.0078/15**

Additional representations by the Interim Strategic Director for Communities

1. A drafting error was made on the Committee Report (Annex 2). The existing Condition (vii) states:

“No Crushing of reject stone shall take place within the application area.”

However, condition ‘vii’ contradicts condition ‘viii’ in relation to preventing crushing of stone as condition viii provides for the crushing of reject rock, for up to 8 weeks of the year solely to be used within the estate. It is therefore proposed to remove condition ‘vii’ from the published report from the proposed conditions set out in Annex 2, as condition ‘viii’ has all the details to limit the crushing of stone for the use on the estate only.

2. After drafting the Committee Report, the applicant’s agent made a request to amend condition ‘xxxiv’ which states *“No initial soil stripping or bund formation shall be undertaken unless or until reptile translocation has been completed...”*

The Agent stated:

“The Translocation Mitigation Strategy recently submitted identifies that the identified reptile habitat are principally located along the margins of the internal hedgerows and woodland.... It is stated within the Strategy that translocation will occur prior to any hedgerow or woodland clearance. The Strategy outlines that trapping will continue for 30 days of suitable weather conditions and will take place in April 2017.

Draft condition xxvi states that initial soil stripping and bund formation shall only be undertaken outside of the bird nesting season (1st March to 31st August).

As such, the restrictions on initial soil stripping/bund formation until after translocation (April) and outside of 1st March – 31st August would mean the applicant could not undertake any initial works until September at the earliest.

Could I request that Condition xxxiv be amended to require reptile translocation is carried out prior to the removal of any tree or hedgerows, in line with the Translocation Mitigation Strategy?”

3. The case officer discussed the request to amend the condition with the County’s Ecologist. The Ecologist is happy with the suggested amendment to condition ‘xxxiv’ provided that the area for the reptile translocation is defined as the light green area on paragraph 2.1 of the Habitat Management Plan, and that soil and vegetation removal in this area do not commence until the translocation of reptiles has been completed.
4. We have received one other consultation comment from West Oxfordshire District Council:

“The council has no additional comments to raise on the additional information submitted with this application, over and above what was previously raised in our original response ref. 15/02678/CM.”

Amended Recommendation

It is RECOMMENDED that subject to a legal agreement first being entered into to secure that the mineral permitted under the “clay bank” is not further worked and a 20-year long term management plan that planning permission for application MW.0078/15 be approved subject to conditions to be determined by the Interim Strategic Director for Communities including those set out in Annex 2 to the report PN6 and as amended above.

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