

Site monitoring report

Please find detailed below the report for the site monitoring undertaken. If you should have any queries or require any photographs taken on [enter site name here], please do not hesitate to contact me.

Site Name: Sandon Quarry, Southend Road, Chelmsford.

File Ref: 23 421 03

Operator: Robert Brett and Sons Ltd

Site Representative: Karol Podkomorzy (KP) – Brett.

Visit no: 3 of 4

Date: 18/03/24

Time on site: 12:00

Time off site: 13:10

Monitoring Officer: T Burns Tel No: 03330136440

Site Co-ordinator: As above Tel No:

Permission no's:

ESS/08/16/CHL: Northern quarry void and plant site including the restoration of the Northern quarry void using inert materials (superceded by ESS/114/22/CHL) .

ESS/40/17/CHL: The continuation of the infilling with inert waste to allow an extension in time for completion of restoration by 31 December 2026 in the southern quarry void.

ESS/41/17/CHL: Installation and operation of an inert waste recycling facility to produce secondary aggregate in the southern quarry void.

ESS/49/17/CHL: Retention of site office.

ESS/15/19/CHL 43.2m x 2m high fence along the haul route.

ESS/114/22/CHL – Infilling and relocation of site offices. Resolution to approve subject to completion of legal agreement.

Constraints:

- Weather: **Dry/ Negligent wind/Windy / Rain/Snow**
- Noise
(Officer perception): **Acceptable/ Not acceptable / N/A**
- Approach roads: **Dry / Dusty /Damp/ / Wet / Muddy/ Flooded**
- Ground: **Mix of: Dry / Dusty / Wet / Damp / Muddy in places / Flooded**
- Access: **Obstructed / Not Obstructed / Mud on Road / Ice / Slippery
(See inspection report below)**
- Wheel cleaning: **Washer / Spinner / Sweeper / none N/A**
- Hose: **In use / Not in Use / N/A**
- Machinery: **Working / Not working**
- In correct position: **Yes / No / N/A**
- Stockpiles: **Height = Acceptable**
- Bunds: **Profiled / Grassed /Weeds / NA**

Actions from last site visit: **Actions remain open**

- Clarity on actions taken to achieve adjustments to be undertaken to ensure wheel wash effectiveness and elimination of carry out to remove further need for sweeping and washing of the haul road. **Update: Still awaited**
- Maintain vigilance on sheeting of vehicles. **For monitoring by site operator.**
- State of haul road integrity to be monitored. **For monitoring by site operator.**
- Scheme of Landscaping for ESS/49/17/CHL to be submitted. **Update: Submitted.**
- Clarity on management and maintenance programme for landscaping. **Update: some tree planting replacements undertaken around newt ponds.**
- Outstanding Conditions need addressing immediately. **Update: Operator needs actioning.**

Inspection Results Summary:

- Haul road from site entrance through to office clean. Some vehicles visiting site mostly JKS livery operating from recycling yard as well as third party operators delivering to southern void.
- Compensation area not visited as no works carried out since last visit. No evidence of cattle grazing on land.
- Replacement wheelwash on site with associated tank still remains to be installed. KP advised this to be carried out over Easter.
- Within southern void levels have been brought up to just below topsoil level. Material from temporary storage stockpile being loaded to dumptruck and deposited along

western void perimeter. Dozer was having maintenance undertaken at time of visit and by end of visit was back on grading works.

- Estimated two/three months to complete infilling to subsoil level.
- Approach to bridge continues to have metal fencing to filter pedestrians past bridge entrance and along public right of way. Further steel fencing runs either side of the bridge between it and the surrounding vegetation. Skip remains positioned near bridge this appeared to have cardboard material visible inside.
- Other site items pallets and salt stored either side of haul road near skip.
- Within processing plant area JKS offices occupied. Row of ISO containers sited to the east along with front loader; screener unit. Metal fencing stored on top of containers.
- KP commented that theft of power line had taken place twice since Christmas period from building near bridge and the cabling running across bridge towards JKS offices. Break in had also occurred in the JKS offices.
- Plant area operational with various stockpile on site. A number of crusher/screener units within the footprint along with 360 excavator and front loader. Appears two working areas with this plant distributed between them along the eastern half of the footprint.
- All stocks appeared below permitted height going by installed height markers.
- The two short sections of insitu concrete paving along the old processing plant haul road still remain. Water holding in one of the scrapes near the power house. KP advised they have had delivery of the material for use in the 4 scrapes which are located in front of the powerhouse. This work to be completed with a deepening of the scrapes, lining and back fill with some soil in the pond base. Anticipated that this work to take place soon to allow receipt of water to see how they hold up in the summer.
- Conservation area continues to establish with ground vegetation..
- Tipping stopped in northern void with tipping having reached final level for the emergency works on its northern side and some infilling beginning in south eastern portion of the void.
- Access tracks remain in place along both the north eastern and south eastern banks allowing access to the floating electric pump and monitoring locations.
- Newt ponds holding some water with the newest on northern boundary full. Tree planting undertaken on failures in planting areas will be checked next monitoring visit.

Compliance with Conditions:

Permission/Condition No: ESS/49/17/CHL

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Condition 13 Landscaping

Action to be taken by **Operator** or MPA/WPA: Submission of scheme within time period.

Permission/Condition No: ESS/114/22/CHL

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Condition 11 – Ecological Interest

Action to be taken by **Operator** or MPA/WPA: No ground disturbance until scheme approved.

Permission/Condition No: ESS/114/22/CHL

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Condition 12 – Construction Environment Management Plan

Action to be taken by **Operator** or MPA/WPA: No ground disturbance until scheme approved.

Permission/Condition No: ESS/114/22/CHL

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Condition 13 – Wildlife Sensitive Lighting Design

Action to be taken by **Operator** or MPA/WPA: No site preparation works.

Permission/Condition No: ESS/114/22/CHL

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Condition 14 – Ecological Interest

Action to be taken by **Operator** or MPA/WPA: No site preparation works.

Permission/Condition No: ESS/114/22/CHL

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Condition 16 – Archaeology

Action to be taken by **Operator** or MPA/WPA: Schemes to be submitted.

Permission/Condition No: ESS/114/22/CHL

Scope of Condition and Action to be taken: Condition 17 – Processing Plant

Action to be taken by **Operator** or MPA/WPA: No processing plant on site until redundant plant removed.

Permission under 2017 EIA regulations?:

- Yes / No

Actions to be taken before next site visit:

- Clarity on actions taken to achieve adjustments to be undertaken to ensure wheel wash effectiveness and elimination of carry out to remove further need for sweeping and washing of the haul road.
- Maintain vigilance on sheeting of vehicles.
- State of haul road integrity to be monitored.
- Clarity on management and maintenance programme for landscaping.
- Outstanding Conditions need addressing immediately.
- No further work in northern void until southern void restored as per planning conditions.
- Ensure all permissions and schemes held in both site offices for quarry and recycling operators.

Report Date: 18/03/24

Date of Next Meeting: 10/06/24 @ 12:00

Note: The actions noted in this report are required in order to ensure adequate progress is made and to avoid potential enforcement action against a breach of planning control.