

Site Name & Reference**AS01 Binnegar****Brief Summary of Proposal**

Extraction of approximately 250,000 tonnes per annum of sand and gravel over a period of 19 years, from a site area of 14.38ha - Located south of existing aggregate extraction works.

Total number of Representations received : **23**

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Were comments received from the following consultees?

Natural England **Yes**

Local Nature Partnership : **Yes**

District Council (Purbeck): **No**

English Heritage: **Yes**

Local Enterprise Partnership: **No**

Parish Council (Broadmayne PC): **Yes**

Environment Agency: **Yes**

Other bodies making comments included:

RSPB

SITA

CPRE

Dorset Wildlife Trust

Dorset AONB

East Stoke PC

Petitions – No petitions were received for this site.

Site Issues – the following is a summary of the main issues that have been raised by stakeholders.		
Summary of Issue	Officer Initial Response	Actions & Further Information Requirements
Environmental Issues		
Hydrology: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact caused to local drainage through the quarrying activities. 	Site proposers have been contacted requesting a broad range of further assessment studies.	These matters will be considered in further detail.
Environmental Impact: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land will for lost for various uses, including agriculture and woodland. Site nomination boundary should be adjusted to exclude good quality ecological habitat from the site. Habitat management will potentially provide gains and should be noted in the biodiversity assessment. 	Site proposers have been contacted requesting a broad range of further assessment studies. In order to be acceptable, the development proposal would need to pass the tests in the Conservation Regulations (previously: Habitats Regulations).	These matters will be considered in further detail.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential impact from development exists to internationally protected species such as sand lizards and smooth snakes, and nature reserves, with protected flora and fauna. 		
<p>Highways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Unacceptable increase in traffic movements from HGVs on A352. ▪ Traffic impacts would destroy the roadside verges. 	<p>The Highway Authority, which considers matters of highway safety, is consulted at every stage in the plan's preparation. Any planning application would need to be accompanied by a Transport Assessment (TA) study.</p>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>
<p>Historic Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Detrimental impact to historic monuments. 	<p>Site proposers have been contacted requesting a broad range of further assessment studies, which includes a full archaeological assessment of the impact from any development on the archaeological sites.</p>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>
<p>Restoration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Site is considered to have good potential for restoration to heathland, to link wetland areas with existing heathland, including integrating restoration schemes with adjacent sites and the wider landscape. ▪ Concern that quarrying will prevent land being returned to heathland. 	<p>The adopted Minerals Strategy sets out policies relating to restoration as well as general development management policies which cover the identified issues. It will be a matter for the planning application stage to consider suitable conditions relating to detailed restoration programmes.</p> <p>At this stage site proposers have been contacted requesting further information about their sites which will inform our understanding of restoration issues and the MPA will also liaise with relevant experts such as Natural England and the Environment Agency. This information will form part of the overall assessment of the suitability of the site to go forward in the site selection process.</p>	<p>Restoration issues will be considered having regard to relevant policies in the adopted Minerals Strategy.</p>
<p>Landscape impact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential detrimental impacts to nearby AONB. ▪ This site is registered common land and formal access right exists over the land: Criterion 23 assessment needs to be amended. ▪ Potential conflict of this site with the statutory duty to protect SSSI, Ramsar, SPA, SAC. 	<p>Site proposers have been contacted requesting a broad range of further assessment studies. In order to be acceptable, the development proposal would need to pass the tests in the Conservation Regulations (previously: Habitats Regulations).</p>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>

Social Issues		
<p>Amenity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The high volume of HGVs would affect residential amenity. ▪ Noise, dust and light pollution would be detrimental to residents. 	<p>If this development were to be allocated and permitted, planning conditions attached to any planning consent can be used to minimise adverse impacts upon amenity. Mitigation may include restrictions on hours of working, screening bunds and use of appropriate equipment to reduce noise.</p> <p>Similarly, conditions can be used to manage levels of dust and dirt emanating from the site, such as through appropriate design and management of the site, and the adoption of appropriate control and mitigation measures (including separation distances, landscaping, screening and spraying haul roads within the site).</p>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>
<p>Recreation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quarrying may reduce the value of the area for leisure use and tourism. 	<p>Should the site be considered for inclusion in the plan the MPA would need to take account of recreation opportunities which might be secured both during extraction and post-restoration.</p>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>
Economic Issues		
<p>Local Economy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quarrying would detrimentally impact on the local economy by alienating visitors. 	<p>The Mineral Planning Authority has a statutory duty to make provision for an adequate level of aggregate supply and minerals also play an important economic role, being essential for the construction industry. This will also need to be considered when the MPA looks at the overall supply of minerals.</p> <p>Any adverse impact on tourism would need to be balanced with the need for aggregate.</p>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>