

**Site Name & Reference** **PK18 Quarry 4 extension**

**Brief Summary of Proposal**

Purbeck limestone extraction – extension to existing site

Total number of Representations received: 5

Number of Representors: 5

**Were comments received from the following consultees?**

Natural England **No**

Local Nature Partnership **No**

Parish Council (Langton Matravers) : **Yes**

English Heritage **Yes**

Local Enterprise Partnership: **No**

District Council (Purbeck) : **Yes**

Environment Agency **Yes**

**Other bodies making comments included:**

RSPB

CPRE

**Petitions** – No petitions were received to 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
<b>Environmental Issues</b>		
<p><b>Hydrology:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was considered that wetland restoration opportunities should be maximised. Water Framework Assessments (WFD) should be undertaken, which will contribute to the relevant River Basin Plan objectives. Proposals should maximise the overall wetland gains.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Site proposers have been contacted requesting a broad range of further assessment studies. The Environment Agency is consulted as a matter of course on such matters.</li> </ul>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>
<p><b>Historic Environment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An archaeological assessment should be undertaken before the effect of the proposal can be fully established.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>

<b>Social Issues</b>		
<p><b>Amenity:</b>          Considered that detrimental impact would result to residential amenity as a result of the cumulative effects of many Purbeck Stone quarries on the plateau.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ An assessment of the cumulative impact of this site and other mineral sites will be an important consideration when decisions are made on which sites to take forward as preferred sites. This work will be done through the sustainability appraisal with input from the council's landscape officer, and through the habitats regulations assessment.</li> </ul>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>
<b>Economic Issues</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Support for modest proposal in an area of several other quarries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Purbeck Stone quarrying is an important part of the local economy and cultural heritage of the area. Continued Purbeck Stone production is supported in the Minerals Strategy. However, environmental assessments are required before further permissions can be granted.</li> </ul>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>
<p><b>Tourism:</b>          This site would create detrimental effects on tourism (cumulatively with other proposals).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ It is noted that the area is important for tourism. However, the cultural heritage and economic contribution of Purbeck Stone working, which can only take place in this location, is also important and so a balance needs to be drawn between the two.</li> </ul>	<p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p>