

## TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

**TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING  
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT  
PROCEDURE) ORDER 2015**

Application N° WD/D/19/000451

Date Received 7 February 2019

# REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION

**LOCATION OF  
DEVELOPMENT:** Chard Junction Quarry, Westford Park Farm,  
Thorncombe, Chard

**DESCRIPTION OF  
DEVELOPMENT:** Temporary planning permission is sought for an extension to Chard Junction Quarry at Westford Park Farm for the winning and working of approximately 930,000 tonnes of sand and gravel with progressive restoration to agriculture and nature conservation, inclusive of a new internal haul road and the retention of the existing mineral processing facilities and silt lagoons for a period of seven years.

In pursuance of their powers under the above mentioned Act, the DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL being the Local Planning Authority, HEREBY REFUSE PLANNING PERMISSION for the development described above in accordance with the details given in the application number above.

### REASON FOR REFUSAL:

1. The development is within the Dorset AONB where exceptional circumstances are required for major development. Bearing in mind the landbank for sand and gravel and the distance to alternative sources of aggregate, the public interest in minimising HGV movements from other sources and the characteristics of the gravel deposit at Chard Junction do not outweigh the harm identified to the Dorset AONB. The proposal would therefore be contrary to policy DM4 of the Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole Minerals Strategy (2014) and paragraphs 176 and 177 of the NPPF.

TO: Liam Toland  
Heaton Planning  
9a The Square  
Keyworth  
Nottingham  
NG21 5JT

SIGNED



Head of Planning  
DATED: 21 September 2021

PLEASE SEE OVERLEAF

Further Information

Further details including application documents and the Planning Officers report can be viewed by entering the application reference number given above in to the relevant search field at the following url: <https://plan.dorsetcc.gov.uk/>

Signed



Head of Planning

## NOTES

1. If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the local planning authority to refuse permission or approval for the proposed development, or to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, he may appeal to the Secretary of State for the Environment in accordance with Section 78 (1) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1990, within six months of receipt of this notice. Appeals may be made on-line at the following url:

<https://www.gov.uk/appeal-planning-decision>

or if you are unable to use the online service, please contact the The Planning Inspectorate Customer Services Team on 0117 372 6372 for a paper form. The Planning Inspectorate address is The Planning Inspectorate, Room 3 O/P, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, BRISTOL BS1 6PN).The Secretary of State for the Environment has power to allow a longer period for the giving of a notice of appeal, but he will not normally be prepared to exercise this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal. The Secretary of State for the Environment need not consider an appeal if it seems to him that permission for the proposed development could not have been granted by the local planning authority, or could not have been so granted otherwise than subject to the conditions imposed by them, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of the Development Order and to any other direction given under the Order. **Please note, only the applicant possesses the right of appeal.**

2. If permission to develop land is refused or granted subject to conditions, whether by the local planning authority or by the Secretary of State for the Environment, and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, he may serve on the county district in which the land is situated, a purchase notice requiring that council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1990.
3. In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the local planning authority for compensation where permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State for the Environment on appeal or on a reference of the application to him. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in Section 114 and related provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1990.

Signed



Head of Planning

