



**Norfolk** County Council

## **Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan**

**Main Matter 4 – Whether the Mineral Extraction Sites proposed for sand and gravel, carstone and silica sand extraction are acceptable in planning and environmental terms and are deliverable**

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**Additional Hearing Statement**

**June 2024**

**Issue:** Whether the methodology for the identification of future sites is robust and whether the identified sites are acceptable in planning and environmental terms and are deliverable.

**7. Specific Site Allocation MIN 25 – land at Manor Farm, Haddiscoe - Does the assessment adequately consider the impact of mineral extraction operations on heritage assets, the living conditions of nearby residents and tourism?**

Statement on the relevance of the Council's decision to refuse planning permission for the extraction of sand and gravel at land off Crab Apple Lane, Haddiscoe, NR14 6SJ (application reference FUL/2022/0056) in respect of MIN25

**NCC response:**

**1.1** On 31 May 2024 Norfolk County Council refused planning permission (application reference FUL/2022/0056) for the extraction of Sand and Gravel with low level restoration to meadow species rich grassland with an ephemeral water body at land off Crab Apple Lane, Haddiscoe, Norfolk, NR14 6SJ. The Inspector has invited the County Council to submit further comments, if necessary, regarding the relevance of the Council's decision in respect of MIN 25.

**1.2** The grounds for refusal of application FUL/2022/0056, as set out on the decision notice dated 31 May 2024, are as follows: "The applicant has failed to demonstrate that the proposal as submitted contains sufficient measures to satisfactorily mitigate impact on the nearby heritage assets and reduce amenity impacts to acceptable levels contrary to Policies CS14, DM8, and DM12 of the Norfolk Minerals and Waste Development Framework: Core Strategy and Development Management Policies Development Plan Document 2010-2026 (2011), Policies 2 and 3 of the Greater Norwich Local Plan (2024), Policies DM1.4, DM3.13, DM3.14 and DM4.10 of the South Norfolk Local Plan Development Management Policies Document (2015), and paragraphs 191, 195, 203, 206, 208 and 217, of the National Planning Policy Framework (December 2023)".

**1.3** The Planning (Regulatory) Committee decision and reason for refusal specifically refers to the planning application proposal as submitted and therefore it is the planning application that was considered to be unacceptable, not the site. The determination of the planning application and the production of the Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan are two separate statutory processes. The position of statutory consultees regarding the site has not changed and therefore the recommendation to allocate site MIN 25 in the NM&WLP remains the same, for the reasons set out in the Plan.