

Site monitoring report

Please find detailed below the report for the site monitoring undertaken on 29th November 2023.

Site Name: Elsenham Quarry, Hall Road/Henham Road, Elsenham, Essex File Ref: 11 421 12 Operator: Brett Aggregates, Valencia and BP Mitchell Visit no: 2 Monitoring Officer: Tom McCarthy Tel No: 03330 320943

Permissions:

ESS/47/14/UTT – Portable cabin for use as office, welfare and storage ESS/38/14/UTT – Winning and working of mineral and subsequent restoration (variation to ESS/39/11/UTT, ESS/13/08/UTT and ESS/51/03/UTT) ESS/49/10/UTT – Waste recycling and shredding and composting of waste until 10/05/2029 (variation to ESS/55/98/UTT) ESS/52/07/UTT – Site office

Constraints:

Weather:	Dry / Windy / Rain / Snow
Noise:	Acceptable / Not acceptable / N/A
Approach roads:	Dry / Dusty / Wet / Muddy / Flooded
Ground:	Dry / Dusty / Wet / Damp / Muddy / Flooded
Access:	Obstructed / Not obstructed
Wheel cleaning:	Washer / Spinner / Sweeper / Not working
Hose:	In use / Not in Use / N/A
Machinery:	Working / Not working
Stockpiles:	Height = Various
Bunds:	Profiled / Grassed / Weeds / Soil

Inspection results summary:

Operations continuing within phase 3, albeit it was noted that due to ground conditions imported material is initially being deposited to the north of the void and moved by excavator. It was suggested that materials within the southern part of phase 3 are now approaching level. The void was however flooded at the time of visit with the operator still needing to agree a de-watering regime.

It was suggested that some material from the stockpile to the north of phase 3 had been moved/spread over phase 4. With also a few loads of material, since the last monitoring visit, having been deposited in phase 4. The operator hopes to complete/restore phase 4 as soon as the weather allows, which would then allow the phase to formally enter aftercare. That said, in view of the amount of work outstanding, it is considered unlikely that this will be in time to enter aftercare in April 2024.

No significant signs of debris were noted on the roundabout at the site access. Some debris/verge damage was noted along Hall Road/Henham Road. However, as per previous monitoring reports, there are a number of sites in the vicinity and as such it is accepted that this damage may be resulting from other sites.

Actions to be taken before next site visit:

None

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.