

# WEST DEEPING PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Sir / Madam

## Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan

Our parish councillors and all the residents of West Deeping that we represent, would like to register strong objections to two of the proposed areas for future mineral extraction under the recently updated Minerals & Waste Local Plan, known as site references SG11 and SG17.

There is an overwhelming view that the use of both of these sites will lead to a dramatic reduction in the quality of life for everyone living in our community.

Amongst our many concerns are:-

- The harm to our environment from noise, light and dust pollution;
- The wellbeing of residents with severe potential impacts on their mental health;
- Increased safety concerns with a greater volume of traffic in and around our village;
- The impact on the value of house prices for our residents and the need for them to be compensated financially if extraction goes ahead;
- The close proximity of the sites to our residential areas resulting in the loss of our landscape which we do not believe would be the case for some of the other proposed areas in Lincolnshire;
- Impact on our listed buildings and damage which may be caused by vibrations etc from the extractions;
- The significant impact on our waterways and wildlife which we feel are bound to be detrimentally affected by the extractions;
- The timescale of undertaking the extractions and restoring the land to a more amenable habitat which could take a whole generation to complete.

We are aware of the many submissions and professional reports that have been prepared by residents and have been sent to you independently, reflecting their strong views on this matter and we intend to provide our support to them in order to ensure that we can secure the best possible outcome for everyone in our village.

Yours faithfully



Mr Ian Coles  
Clerk to the Council