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Sent by Email

For the Attention of Mr. Peter Chadwick

20 December 2011

Dear Mr. Chadwick,

Application for Planning Permission under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Importation, Handling and Re-sale of Aggregates (Retrospective Application) on Land at Frithend Quarry, Grooms Farm, Frithend, Nr Bordon, Hampshire GU35 0QR

Application Reference No. 30633/019

Thank you for providing us with the consultation responses received to date in relation to the above planning application. We have reviewed the comments made and we would like to respond as follows:

Timescale for the Proposed Development

We would like to clarify that Grundon is not seeking permanent consent for the development proposed as part of this planning application. The proposals for the importation, handling and re-sale of aggregates are ancillary to the current quarrying activities at the site. Material is imported to the site to be blended with aggregates extracted from the quarry. As such, it is not intended to continue the proposed activities after extraction operations have ceased at the site.

Under the extant planning consent no. F30633/012/CMA for the site, workings are to cease by 31 December 2016. We therefore confirm that the importation, handling and re-sale of aggregates development, for which we are seeking retrospective planning permission, would continue to be carried out until this same date (31 December 2016). Should the Local Planning Authority resolved to grant planning permission for the current proposals, a condition could be imposed to that effect.

Public Rights of Way

The planning application documents lacked information relating to public rights of way located within and in the vicinity of the site. I enclose drawing no. DG/QO/GFRI/APP/04 (Public Rights of Way) which shows these footpaths in relation to the Application Site:

- Public footpath 24 runs to the north west of the site and crosses the access road (which forms part of the Application Site) just before it joins the A325;
- Public footpaths 48 and 25 run from beyond the site to the south west and north of the site;
- Public footpath 23 runs north-south and crosses the Application Site immediately to the west of the site entrance; and
- Public footpath 26 runs west-east, crosses the Application Site to the east of the weighbridge/office area and then runs alongside the internal site haul road.

No alteration to these public rights of way is proposed as part of the current planning application.

Where the footpaths cross the access road to the site, there is signage in place which advises both drivers visiting the site and users of the footpath of the crossing. There is no record of incidents or 'near-misses' involving users of the footpaths and vehicles on the access road to the site.

As indicated in the planning submission, it is not proposed to alter the current pattern of vehicle movements associated with the existing operations at the site. Traffic movements associated with the importation of material to the site for re-sale purposes amount to a marginal proportion of the vehicles movements generated by the overall operation of the site. As such it is not considered that additional measures to further secure the safety of footpath users crossing the Application Site would be required above that which is currently being provided.

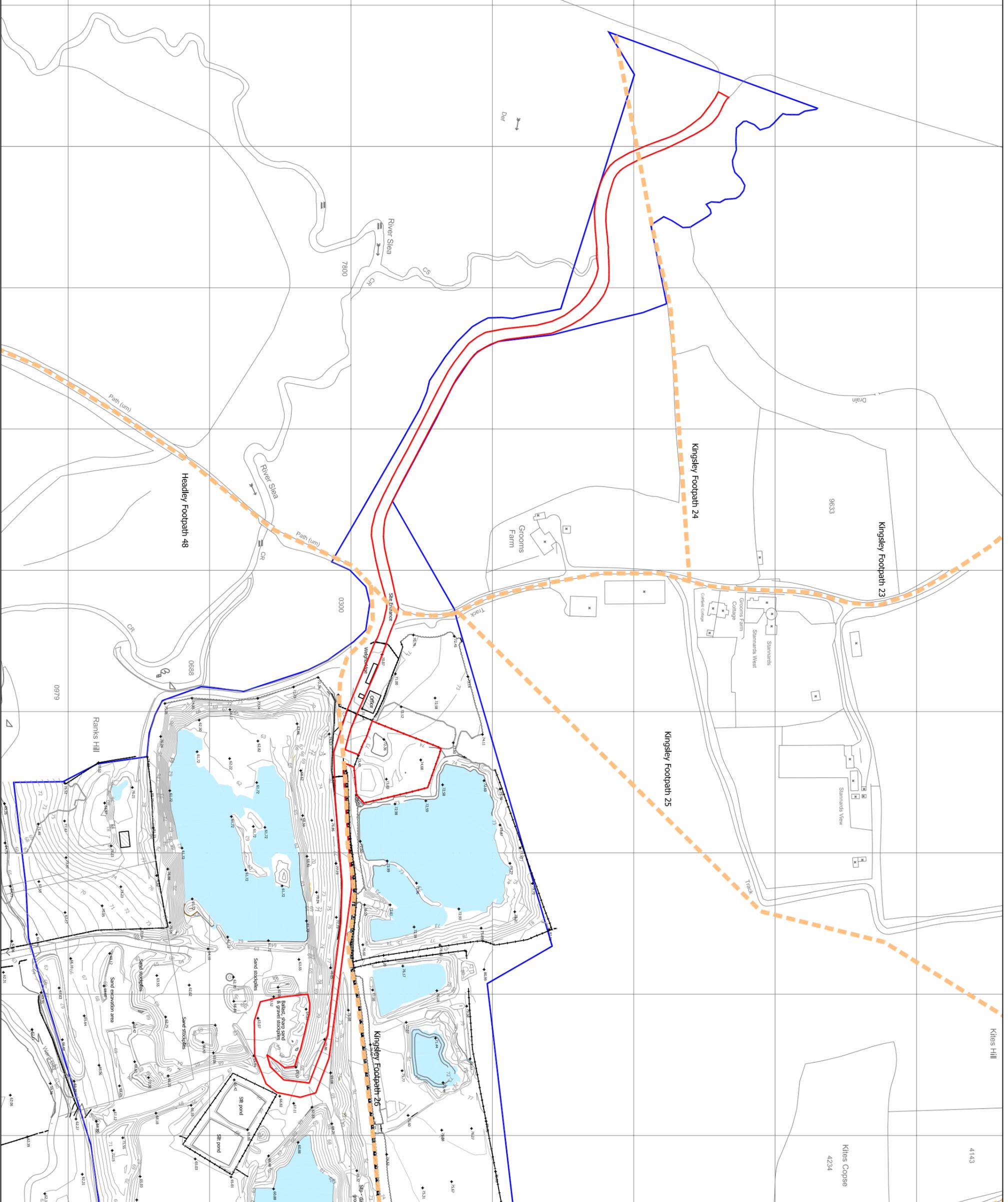
I trust that these additional clarifications are satisfactory and will allow you to resolve to grant this application planning approval.

Yours sincerely,



Veronique Bensadou
Senior Planner

Encl. Drawing no. DG/QO/FRI/APP/04 (Public Rights of Way)



Key



- Application Area
- Land in Control of Applicant
- Public Rights of Way

Issue Date	Comments

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