



The Coal
Authority

Newark & Sherwood (LPD) Second Publication Allocations & Development Management Development Plan Document (Regulation 19 Consultation).

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Dear Planning Policy Team,

Thank you for your notification received on the 25th September 2023 in respect of the above consultation.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, The Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

Our records indicate that within the Newark and Sherwood District area there are recorded coal mining features present at surface and shallow depth including; mine entries, mine gas sites and reported surface hazards. These features pose a potential risk to surface stability and public safety.

Please find below our comments in respect of Newark and Sherwood (LPD) Second Publication Allocations and Development Management Development Plan Document (DPD) (Regulation 19 Consultation) (September 2023).

Policy DM5(b) Design

We are pleased that the Revised Policy wording in Policy DM5(b) Design, (on page 132 of the emerging Regulation 19 Local Plan (September 2023) - Policy indent 9: Unstable land)

continues to refer to the importance and need to consider 'Unstable land' when development proposals are being proposed.

Wider Plan - Site Allocations

We are also pleased to see that, where relevant, Site Allocations also identify the need for potential impacts arising from the legacy of former coal mining to be investigated and the implementation of any necessary remedial works.

Should you wish to discuss these comments further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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