

Suggested Modifications to the Plan in light of Day 1 of the Hearing Sessions

KCC commends the following modifications to the Inspector to reflect the discussions had on the afternoon of Day 1 of the Hearing Sessions. Paragraph reference numbers below are to the paragraphs in the untracked version of the Plan: https://www.kent.gov.uk/ data/assets/pdf_file/0007/165616/SD01-Pre-Submission-draft-of-the-Kent-Minerals-and-Waste-Local-Plan-2024-39-Reg-19-clean-untracked-Nov-2023.pdf)

(1) To deal with flexibility in relation to the use of 10 year sales' methodology, in response to Ms Holland's points:

Add after "other relevant local information" in para 5.2.10 the words: "including the 3 year sales average".

(2) To deal with the point about reserving adequate supply of ragstone for historic buildings, in response to Mr Jeffery's points:

Insert a new para following existing para 5.16 stating: "A policy covering situations where non-identified land won mineral sites could be acceptable is included as Policy CSM4" – this text would be a re-location of text from existing para 5.2.30 and thus is not new. Then, after that, in the same new para, add the words: "In considering proposals that create building stone from aggregate development, Policy CSM9 shall also be considered".

Also add a new sentence at the end of para 5.9.1 in the supporting text to Policy CSM9 stating: "This was recognised, for example, in the permission for extraction of ragstone at Hermitage Quarry in 2013 where the Secretary of State imposed two conditions regulating the supply of building stone from the quarry as part of the overall operations."

If desired, the Council can explain the rationale behind these amendments in more detail to the Inspector on Day 2.

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