

## **Pre-Inquiry Note 1**

**Appeal Ref: APP/E1855/W/22/3310099**

**Lea Castle Farm, Wolverley Road, Broadwaters, Kidderminster, DY10 3QA**

- The appeal is made under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) against a refusal to grant planning permission.
- The appeal is made by NRS Aggregates Ltd against the decision of Worcestershire County Council (WCC).
- The application Ref is 19/000053/CM.
- The development proposed is a sand and gravel quarry with progressive restoration using site derived and imported inert material to agricultural parkland, public access and nature enhancement.
- The appeal decision issued on 5 May 2023 was quashed by order of the High Court and the Inquiry is scheduled to re-open on 5 November 2024 to re-determine the appeal.

### **The appellant's request to consider an amended scheme in re-determining the appeal**

1. Further to the case management conference note dated 7 August the Inspector invites written submissions from the main parties setting out their respective positions about dealing with the appeal on the basis of an amended scheme. These submissions, along with the written representations received about the addendum Environmental Statement and consultation, would be considered at a round table discussion on the first day of the Inquiry, after which the Inspector will decide how to proceed. Written submissions about whether the amended scheme should be accepted at this stage in the appeal process must be sent to PINS and copied to the other parties no later than 18 October. Prior to the opening of the Inquiry the Inspector will draft an agenda for the round table discussion about dealing with the appeal on the basis of an amended scheme.
2. As the parties are aware Proofs of Evidence should consider both the scheme as determined by WCC and the amended scheme proposed by the appellant.

### **Revised submission dates for various documents as follows**

13 September 2024	SoCG General [received dated 13 September on WCC website as rID2] SoCG Sand and Gravel / Inert Material [received dated 13 September on WCC website as rID3]
27 September 2024	SoCG Biodiversity
8 October 2024	Deadline for submission of: all PoE suggested planning conditions / obligations + reasons Core Documents list
18 October 2024	Deadline for submission of a copy of the Inquiry notification letter and a list of those notified (Council)  Deadline for submission of written statements about dealing with the appeal on the basis of an amended scheme
22 October 2024	Deadline for submission of any essential rebuttal proofs
29 October 2024	Deadline for submission of final timings / draft programme / draft site visit itinerary
5 November 2024	Inquiry opens 10.00 am

John Woolcock

Inspector

26 September 2024