

Steer Point Quarry Restoration – 20th May 2020

After further consultation with DCC we have submitted an application today to vary condition 4 of the consent for the restoration works at Steer Point Quarry to regularise the restoration period.

Whilst the date of commencement notified to the Mineral/Waste Planning Authority in accordance with conditions 1 and 2 of the planning consent was the 19 July 2016, no material was imported to the site at this date and importation continued to be prevented until the Environmental Permit had been issued.

Following the preparation and agreement of a Waste Recovery Plan, the application for the Environmental Permit was made on 17 November 2017 and notified as being duly made by the Environment Agency on 5 February 2018. It was finally issued on 5 April 2019 under Permit Number EPR/FB3239RP allowing the importation of material as permitted under the original planning consent.

As you are aware, the first import of material to the site was therefore not until 9 May 2019 thereby being the effective date of commencement of the restoration scheme. The variation of condition application submitted to DCC therefore aligns the 4 year operational period to run from the date of the first import of material to the site so the length of effects and possible impacts locally effectively remains the same as does the restoration scheme.