

Site Name & Reference**PK17 Home Field****Brief Summary of Proposal**

Extraction of Purbeck Stone from selected locations (1ha) within site.

Total number of Representations received: **7**Number of Representors: **7****Were comments received from the following consultees?**Natural England **Yes**Local Nature Partnership : **No**Parish Council (Langton Matravers) : **Yes**English Heritage **Yes**Local Enterprise Partnership : **No**District Council (Purbeck) : **Yes**Environment Agency **Yes****Other bodies making comments included:**

Dorset Wildlife Trust

Dorset AONB

RSPB

CPRE

Petitions – No petition was received to this site.**Site Issues – the following is a summary of the main issues that have been raised by stakeholders.**

| Summary of Issue | Officer Initial Response | Actions & Further Information Requirements |
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| Environmental Issues | | |
| Environmental Impacts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Concern that the site is close to European designated nature reserves which must be protected. ▪ Presence of largest metapopulations of Great Crested Newts in Purbeck in ponds in this area. Likely presence of many nationally scarce invertebrates including beetle and dragonfly species. ▪ Impact on grazing land. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Site proposers have been contacted requesting a broad range of further assessment studies. ▪ In order to be acceptable, the development proposal would need to pass the tests in the Conservation Regulations (previously: Habitats Regulations). | These matters will be considered in further detail. |
| Restoration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recommended restoration to include creation of a pond to support freshwater wildlife. ▪ Creation of hibernation roosts suitable for bats within the afteruse sites should therefore be considered. ▪ Inclusion of species-rich grassland in the sites' afteruse alongside existing proposed afteruse. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The adopted Minerals Strategy sets out policies relating to restoration as well as general development management policies which cover the identified issues. It will be a matter for the planning application stage to consider suitable conditions relating to detailed restoration programmes. At this stage site proposers have been contacted requesting further information | Restoration issues will be considered having regard to relevant policies in the adopted Minerals Strategy. |

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| | <p>about their sites which will inform our understanding of restoration issues and the MPA will also liaise with relevant experts such as Natural England and the Environment Agency. This information will form part of the overall assessment of the suitability of the site to go forward in the site selection process.</p> | |
| <p>Hydrology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wetland restoration opportunities should be maximised. Water Framework Assessments (WFD) should be undertaken, which will contribute to the relevant River Basin Plan objectives. Proposals should maximise the overall wetland gains. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site proposers have been contacted requesting a broad range of further assessment studies. The Environment Agency is consulted as a matter of course on such matters. | <p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p> |
| <p>Historic Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An archaeological assessment should be undertaken before the effect of the proposal can be fully established. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site proposers have been contacted requesting a broad range of further assessment studies, which includes a full archaeological assessment of the impact from any development on the archaeological sites. | <p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p> |
| <p>Quarry working:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern that working would creep over a wider area, and thereby result in the whole area being quarried. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Minerals Strategy sets the policy for future Purbeck Stone working and requires sites to be of a small scale nature, dispersed rather than clustered. Furthermore, the National Trust, the landowner, limits the size and number of sites on its land at any one time. | |
| Social Issues | | |
| <p>Amenity:</p> <p>Considered that the sites would create detrimental impacts to residential amenity as a result of the cumulative effects of many Purbeck Stone quarries on the plateau.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An assessment of the cumulative impact of this site and other mineral sites will be an important consideration when decisions are made on which sites to take forward as preferred sites. This work will be done through the sustainability appraisal with input from the council's landscape officer, and through the habitats regulations assessment. | <p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p> |
| <p>Recreation:</p> <p>Considered that the site would have a localised adverse effects on the Priest's Way recreational route, leading to sequential cumulative effects for recreation.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the size of the area and the fact that only small parcels within the site would be worked it is likely that mineral extraction can be accommodated without affecting the footpath. Specific sites could be sited with an appropriate buffer to Priest's Way. | |

| Economic Issues | | |
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| <p>Tourism: This site would create detrimental effects on tourism (cumulatively with other proposals).</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It is noted that the area is important for tourism. However, the cultural heritage and economic contribution of Purbeck Stone working, which can only take place in this location, is also important and so a balance needs to be drawn between the two. | <p>These matters will be considered in further detail.</p> |