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Dear Helen

Re: 70195

Discharge condition 6 relating to application 70195; Millwood Primary Special School, School Street, Radcliffe, Manchester, M26 3BW

Thank you for your notification of 4 September 2024 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

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.

The Coal Authority response: Substantive Concern

Condition 6 of the planning permission states:

'No development (excluding demolition, site clearance and enabling works) shall commence unless and until any remediation works and/or mitigation measures to address the shallow mine workings, as may be necessary, have been implemented on site in full in order to ensure that the site is safe and stable for the development proposed.'

The intrusive site investigations and remedial works shall be carried out in accordance with authoritative UK guidance.'

The applicant has submitted a multitude of information in support of the discharge of the aforementioned condition, all of which relates to the development of the host building and environs. Consequently, this information, elements of which are 18 years old, is neither specific to the development being considered or helpful.

On account of the above, the Coal Authority is **unable to recommend the discharge of Condition 6** and requests that an up to date assessment be submitted, which provides the details of what measures may have been undertaken that might be considered satisfactory to satisfy the requirements of the aforementioned condition. Alternatively, signposting of the information submitted would be helpful in order for us to assess any remedial measures that have been undertaken in the area of the proposed extension, which might be considered satisfactory to satisfy the requirements of Condition 6.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

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