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Minerals & Waste Core Strategy Consultation
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Dear Policy Team


Proposed figures for sharp sand and gravel extraction

CPRE Oxfordshire entirely endorses the submission of OXAGE in relation to this issue - namely, that the annual rate of sharp sand and gravel as reflected in the modifications is too high and that the justification for deviating from Government policy (that a 10 year past average should be used) is not based on robust evidence.

We refer you to the detailed submission from Gardner Planning on behalf of OXAGE.

Re-balancing strategy

The OXAGE submission goes on to raise concerns about the proposed re-balancing strategy.

For the purposes of clarity, CPRE Oxfordshire wishes to state that it does not support the reintroduction of previously discounted sites. Beyond this, it is neutral on the re-balancing issue and therefore does not take a position either in support of or opposition to the relevant proposed modifications.

Yours sincerely

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