

## Part 1 – Respondent Details

<b>1(a) Personal details</b>		
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<b>Last Name</b>	Parrinder	
<b>Job Title (where relevant)</b>		
<b>Organisation (where relevant)</b>		
<b>1(b) Agent details</b> <i>Only complete if an agent has been appointed</i>		
<b>Title</b>		
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<b>Job Title (where relevant)</b>		
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<b>Are you writing as</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> A resident- YES <input type="checkbox"/> A local business <input type="checkbox"/> Minerals industry <input type="checkbox"/> Waste industry	<input type="checkbox"/> A parish council <input type="checkbox"/> A district council <input type="checkbox"/> A county council <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)

<b>Please tick the appropriate boxes if you wish to be notified of any of the following:</b>	
Publication of the Inspector's report and recommendations	yes
Adoption of the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy	yes

Please tick this box if you no longer wish to be notified of any updates regarding the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy:

<b>Please sign and date the form:</b>			
<b>Signature:</b>	<i>RP Parrinder</i> <i>SF Parrinder</i>	<b>Date:</b>	20 March 2017

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M2 – total extraction targets

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The figure of 1.015 MTpa for land-won sharp sand and gravel lacks any proper evidence base.

There is evidence that demand for land-won primary sand and gravel is declining as a result of increased recycling, increased marine extraction, changes in construction methods, and the pressure for more brownfield developments where a considerable amount of the aggregate needed is already available on site eg. Didcot

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Either provide evidence of need for the increase, or reduce the figures.

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M3: Standlake to Yarnton as a "Principal Location".
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Embedded in the plan is an acknowledgement that excessive environmental impact, including local climate change, should be avoided. Arguably, the impact of existing workings in this area, together with workings for which permission has already been granted (e.g. at Gill Mill - 5 million tons) is so great that further extraction permissions in this region would cause irrevocable harm.

New extraction sites in the parts of the Mineral Strategic Resource Area 6 surrounding Eynsham would threaten to overwhelm the local environment completely. In the period up to 2031 Eynsham faces not only this threat but also the construction of a Park and Ride, A40 bus lane, a completely new 2200 home Garden Village to the north, a new Science Park and a 1000 home strategic development to the west. Its landscape setting to the west and north is therefore disappearing making the countryside to the south and east even more important and desperately in need of preservation from gravel extraction for the sake of residents' quality of life, bio-diversity and local changes to the water table/climate change/flood control.

It could be argued that the aggregate needs of these developments should be sourced locally. There is a large and important aggregate recycling facility at New Wintles Farm at Eynsham (David Einig Contracting) which is ready and willing to do so. Gill Mill is also perfectly located for this purpose. No more new gravel extraction sites are necessary around Eynsham.

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Embargo further allocation of sites in West Oxfordshire until a fair balance has been achieved between extraction north and south of the Thames. In particular embargo extraction from land surrounding Eynsham to take the pressure off the local environment.

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M4: Sites, including Eynsham / Cassington / Yarnton:
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The inclusion of the Eynsham area in the Mineral Strategic Resource Area 6 is in direct conflict with Pol M4 j) iii, v, vi, vii, viii, ix and k).

j) iii- the local landscape character south and east of Eynsham provides lovely views and walks across the Thames valley towards Wytham Hill and ancient woodlands. Walks here would be ruined.

j) v- the agricultural land here is surely some of the best and most versatile.

j) vi- the local transport network is already at breaking point.

j) vii- The land around Eynsham south and east is very sensitive to nuisance- especially the primary School and dense areas of housing.

Also at severe risk of Bird Strike would be the many RAF aircraft (approx. 1 every 30 minutes) that approach Eynsham from the south and turn west directly over the village to head for Brize Norton airfield.

j) viii- residents' amenity and health will be severely compromised by dust, noise, traffic, loss of areas for walking and recreation if sites around Eynsham are selected.

j) ix- the character and setting of Eynsham is already under too much threat from the Garden Village, Western development, Science Park, Park and Ride. It should not be desecrated to the south and east as well by gravel extraction.

k) The proposal conflicts with other County Council and District policies for residential development and high technology industry in the area; excessive traffic on already near-gridlocked roads; noise, dust, disturbance, loss of amenity, danger to the public, etc. In particular:

Traffic on the A40 is already considerably over capacity and will be even more so if current WODC proposals for housing development in the area go through. The A40 should not be used for any additional minerals traffic until this is resolved.

There are no effective policies to mitigate the effects of dust and vibration by providing buffer zones round residential properties, schools and sensitive high technology industrial facilities such as Siemens and Polar factories at Eynsham.

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Remove the areas surrounding Eynsham from the Mineral Strategic Resource Area 6.

If this is not agreed-

Include realistic buffer zones to prevent nuisance to residential dwellings, schools and dust-sensitive high-technology industrial sites.

Defer allocation of any new sites in this area until adequate road or rail transport infrastructure is in place.

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M10: Restoration and after-use.

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The plan pays lip service to restoration, after-care and after-use, and states that planning permission will not be granted unless the proposals include, "where necessary, the means of securing them in the longer term" (main document, p.,71). However, no mechanisms are provided to ensure that promises which are made are actually kept.

Permissions granted in the 1980s apparently included no requirements for restoration and after-use, though that is not the impression which was given during consultations at the time – maps showed facilities such as of sailing, windsurfing, fishing, birdwatching, picnicking, walking and cycling, but it now appears that these were merely "aspirational".

The Cassington and Yarnton workings are a good example of what actually happens in practice - the site is mainly an industrial wasteland, with many unacceptable risks, including unsafe banks and un-reclaimed silt lagoons, the latter fenced off with barbed wire and hazard warning signs. There is no indication that anything will be done about this.

We have no confidence that the Plan as currently formulated will ameliorate this situation or prevent recurrence elsewhere. Communities which have been blighted for years by opencast mining have been badly let down and this must not happen again.

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Mechanisms are required to:

Require operators to deposit funds in escrow (before mining starts) for restoration, public access and after-use as provided for in any grant of planning permission for extraction.

Ensure that restoration is undertaken by independent, properly skilled teams, and not by unskilled, unqualified staff drafted in by the mining companies.

Institute organisational and management structures to ensure the longer-term sustainability and financial viability of after-use activities.

Actively engage local communities in each of the above stages.

Require operators to meet all outstanding after-use commitments before grant of any further permission for extraction.

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