

**From:**

**Sent:** 08 September 2015 15:27

**To:** Minerals and Waste Plan Consultation - E&E

**Subject:** OXFORDSHIRE MINERALS AND WASTE LOCAL PLAN PART 1 – CORE STRATEGY

Dear Sir/Madam

I am extremely concerned that the proposed figures for sharp sand and gravel extraction are vastly exaggerated. Rather than using the straightforward calculation set out in the National Planning Policy Framework, namely the average production of material over the previous 10 years, this Local Plan is based on production figures from much earlier years of high output. This means **a 42% increase in future production targets, from 0.715 million tonnes per annum to 1.015 mtpa, with a knock on impact on local people and the landscape.**

In recent years Oxfordshire County Council has worked with seven or eight environmental groups, I understand this is now not the case with this Local Plan which is very disappointing to hear. I also understand that this is in direct contravention of the council's own 'Statement of community involvement' which emphasises the merit of early consultation with interested parties.

I therefore **strongly object** to the Local Plan based on, the disregard of your undertaking to involve communities, and the manipulation of the numbers leading to an unjustified level of LAA for sharp sand and gravel.

Kind Regards

Vicky Johnson