

BRADWELL QUARRY, SITE A5

A Screening and Scoping Opinion Request was made to Essex County Council (ECC) on 9 February 2017 by Honace on behalf of Blackwater Aggregates for the proposed extension of its existing quarrying operations into an area known as Site A5 within Bradwell Quarry. Following consultation with a number of statutory and non-statutory bodies, a Scoping Opinion was provided by Essex County Council on 13 June 2017, with clarification on the extent of the Heritage Assessment offered on 4 September 2017.

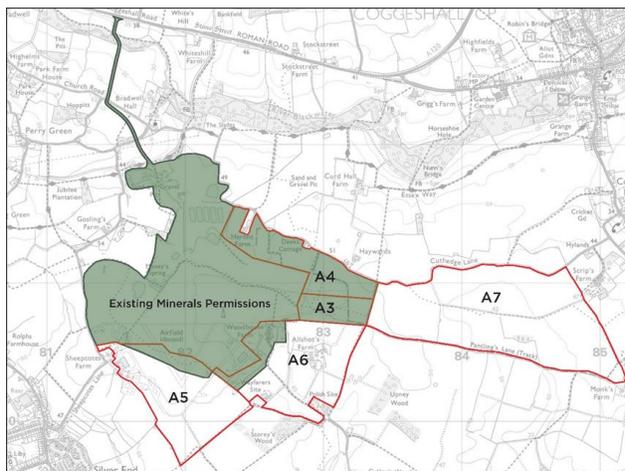
A planning application and Environmental Statement is currently being prepared to support the proposed Site A5 development. This document will contain assessments and recommendations to mitigate and minimise potential environmental impacts of the proposed quarrying operations and promote potential environmental and social benefits of the scheme.

SCHEME BACKGROUND, PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

Bradwell Quarry is an existing sand and gravel quarry. An extension is proposed to Blackwater Aggregates' existing quarrying operations into an area, known as Site A5. These works would be carried out in a carefully managed and controlled sequence, which will make it possible to follow a 'rolling' programme of extraction and restoration.

The sand and gravels extracted from Site A5 will be processed through the existing on-site washing and screening plant located within Bradwell Quarry. Access will continue to be provided via the established site access road from the A120 into Bradwell Quarry. Minerals will be processed within the existing washing and screening plant, concrete batching plant, dry silo mortar plant and bagging facilities at the Site. There will be no change in the hours of operation, permitted vehicle movements or the productive capacity of the Site.

The proposed 38 ha footprint of Site A5 is located on the southern edge of Bradwell Quarry and is identified as a Preferred Site within the Minerals Local Plan.



Bradwell Quarry and Site A5



Bradwell Village Hall, Church Road, CM77 8EW

PUBLIC EXHIBITION

A public exhibition is planned for Thursday 2 November 2017 at Bradwell Village Hall from 15:00 to 19:30. It will offer stakeholders, local residents, community groups and interested members of the public the opportunity to view and comment on the Site A5 proposals.

Feedback received at the public exhibition will be used in developing the Site A5 proposals further.