

LAND TO THE WEST OF HATFIELD

Environmental Statement – Chapter 15: Cumulative Impacts

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15 CUMULATIVE IMPACTS

15.1 Introduction

Part 5(e) of Schedule 4 of the Regulations states that an ES requires a 'description of the likely significant effects of the development on the environment resulting from, inter alia the cumulation of effects with other existing and/or approved projects, taking into account any existing environmental problems relating to areas of particular environmental importance likely to be affected or the use of natural resources.'

As confirmed in Chapter: 4 Committed Developments, the applications/developments in Table 15.1 have been part of the EIA process in the formulation of this ES.

Table 15.1: Committed Development

Council Reference	Description	Decision	Date
PL\0755\16	Application for the establishment of a new	Awaiting	Submitted:
(Hertfordshire County	quarry on land at the former Hatfield	decision	26/01/2016
Council)	Aerodrome, including a new access onto		
	the A1057, aggregate processing plant,		
	concrete batching plant and other ancillary		
	facilities, together with the importation of		
	inert fill materials for the restoration of the		
	minerals working.		
6/2015/2043/OUTLINE	Redevelopment to provide floorspace	Application	Granted
(WHBC)	equivalent to 537 Units of Development	permitted	05/07/2016
	(UD) (as set out in Schedule 1) for Use		
	Classes B1, B2, sui generis and hotel use on		
	plots 4100, 5000, 5600 and for Use		
	Classes B1, sui generis and Hotel use on plot		
	6000 with all matters reserved except		
	access.		
5/3720-16	Proposed extension to Hatfield Quarry for	Awaiting	Submitted:
(Hertfordshire County	the extraction of approximately 0.45 million	decision	09/11/2016
Council)	tonnes of sand and gravel from within		
	17.7ha of land known as Furze Field,		
	involving retention of the quarry access		
	road and site infrastructure facilities and		
	restoration of the extension area to		
	agricultural land and mixed habitats		
	including wetlands, acid grassland and		
	woodland planting.		

In addition, the EIA process has taken an inclusive approach to take account of each applicable topic and the interaction between these. Therefore, a two-element approach in respect of cumulative effects:

1. Committed developments outside the application red line boundary; and

2. Interaction between topics/factors assessed within this EIA process.

Taking account of both elements, only one topic is considered to have a significant effect without mitigation – socio-economic. All other topics when considered cumulatively will not have a significant effect when incorporating the proposed mitigation.

15.2 SOCIO-ECONOMIC

The impact of the construction phase of the proposed development has been assessed to be significant and positive — no mitigation is required. In addition, the contribution of the proposed scheme to the future labour supply for the Borough's economy has been assessed to be significant and positive — no mitigation is required.