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For the Attention of: Laura Anthony – Case Officer
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Dear Laura

PLANNING APPLICATION: AVA/2022/0826

Siting of surface-mounted ancillary industrial building; Smiths Pallet Yard, Cotes Park Lane, Somercotes, Alfreton, Derbyshire

Thank you for your consultation letter of 29 September 2022 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above planning application.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

The Coal Authority Response

The application site does fall within the defined Development High Risk Area; however, I can confirm that the proposal is exempt from Version 6, January 2021 of the Coal Authority's Guidance for Local Planning Authorities.

Accordingly, there is no requirement under the risk-based approach that has been agreed with the LPA for a Coal Mining Risk Assessment to be submitted with any planning application or for the Coal Authority to be consulted on this proposal.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

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