

The Coal Authority 19 July 2022

For the attention of: Planning Policy Manager

Dear

Thank you for your email below regarding the updated Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk Local Plan Review Sustainability Appraisal documents which comprise of

- Addendum (July 2022 update); and
- Non-Technical Summary (including information relating to the SA Addendum 2022)

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.

As you are aware, the Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk lies outside the defined coalfield and therefore the Coal Authority has no specific comments to make on your Local Plans / SPDs etc.

In the spirit of ensuring efficiency of resources and proportionality, it will not be necessary for the Council to provide the Coal Authority with any future drafts or updates to the emerging Plans. This letter can be used as evidence for the legal and procedural consultation requirements at examination, if necessary.

Kind regards

 The Coal Authority

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