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## For the attention of: Local Plan Team

City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council

14<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Local Plan Team

Re: Wilsden Neighbourhood Plan (Regulation 16)

Thank you for your notification of the 6th February 2024 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. 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.

Our records indicate that within the identified Neighbourhood Plan area there are recorded coal mining features present at surface and shallow depth including: mine entries and coal workings. These features may pose a potential risk to surface stability and public safety.

It is noted however that the Neighbourhood Plan does not appear to allocate any new sites for future development and on this basis the Planning team at the Coal Authority have no specific comments to make.

Yours sincerely

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