

CITY OF BRADFORD METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1971

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING GENERAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER 1977

Balfour Beatty Construction Ltd
14 Ack Lane
Bramhall
STOCKPORT
Cheshire

TAKE NOTICE that in pursuance of their powers under the above mentioned Act and Order the Metropolitan Council of the City of Bradford as Local Planning Authority hereby REFUSE to permit:

Short term quarry operation followed by reclamation of site including seeding and planting at Horn Crag Quarry, Fishbeck Lane, Silsden in accordance with a form of application and plans received by the Council on the 28th day of October 1986 and numbered 86/6/06567

The reason(s) for the Council's decision to refuse permission for the development are:

1. The application proposes large scale intensive quarry workings in a rural area which affords ground spring water supplies to existing dwelling houses. Such supplies form the sole potable water supply to those dwellings. It is considered that there is a high probability that the proposed quarry workings will lead, either directly or indirectly, to the pollution of those supplies, and also of other licensed abstractions and bore holes in the area.
2. Access to site is proposed to be taken via a single track road having no proper passing places, and is totally inadequate for the anticipated heavy vehicular traffic involved. The problem is exacerbated by the lack of properly designed junctions at each end of the single track road, either with Brown Bank Lane (an unclassified road) or with the A6034 Silsden-Addingham road. Additionally, the existing junction of Brown Bank Lane with the A6034 is inadequate to cater for increased heavy traffic usage.

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Dated this 18th day of February 1987

C. R. Adams

Director of Development Services, Jacob's Well, Bradford BD1 5RW.

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3. The site and its environs are situated within the Green Belt and are also part of a large area which is defined as being of High Landscape Value on the approved Development Plan. Additionally, on the Upper Airedale Local Plan which has recently passed through the stage of Public Participation, the site is included within areas of Green Belt and Special Landscape. It is considered that the proposed development is not compatible with such designations, and would severely damage the amenities of the area, including those of the neighbouring residents, by reason of additional traffic, noise and dust.
4. Approval of the application would inevitably affect adversely, protected wild life habitats within the site.
5. The proposal would result in a considerable increase in the number of heavy commercial vehicles travelling through Silsden and this would give rise to unacceptable environmental effects.
6. In view of the foregoing, the proposal does not comply with approved Structure Plan Policies N21, N23, N36 and N39.

C. R. Atkinson

Director of Development Services, Jacob's Well, Bradford BD1 5RW.