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Response to Officer Queries No.3

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1.0. Officer Query No.1

“Response of 27 April - Section 2.0. and section 8.0. Thank you for the confirmation that no crushed or screened material will be removed from site, that such activity will cease in the first 12 months and it is only the fraction that for dry stone wall or dimensional stone that will be removed - however, can you please give an estimate of the likely quantity to be removed of dry stone wall/block and confirm this will not impact on HGV movements.”

- 1.1. The HGV movements have been calculated using the existing topography and final extraction profile of the entire site including anticipated wastage factors. Therefore, HGV movements already account for potential exports from the mound of ‘mineral waste’ which is currently within the footprint of the extraction area.
- 1.2. There is a surplus of available HGV movements¹ as not all of the mound will be removed from site as the majority does not appear to constitute mineral suitable for building stone applications. The total volume of the mound is 8,000m³, of this, the operator anticipates only some 4,000m³ will be suitable for export.

2.0. Officer Query No.2

“Response of 27 April - Section 6.0. It is stated that the maximum depth is to be 232m as per Quarry Design plan ref: E454-003. It would be useful to have a cross section at the southern part of the site to reflect this maximum depth, as the current cross sections do not reflect this lower point of 232m, nor the 234m excavation contour line - the current cross sections give the impression that the maximum depth is 236m.”

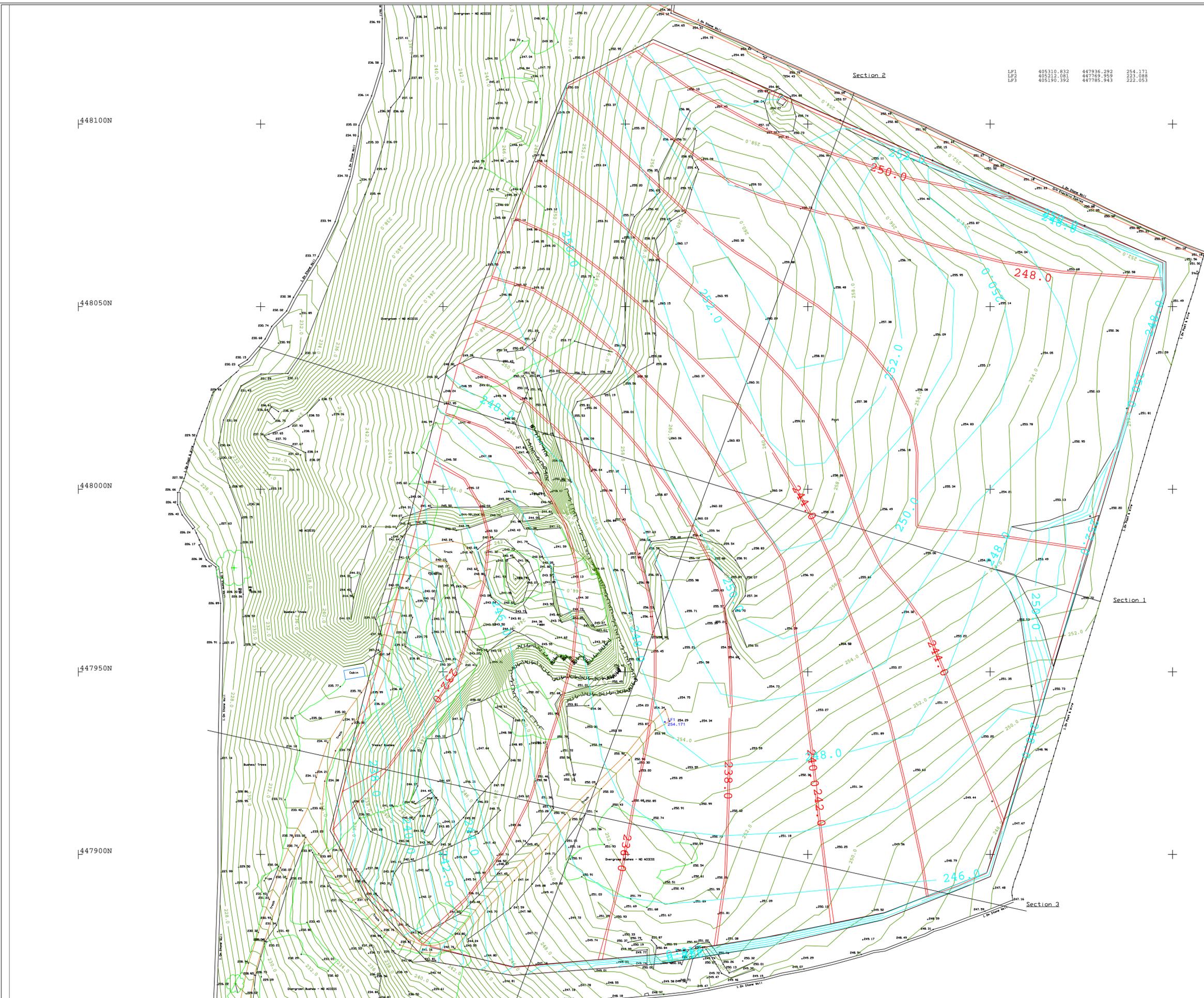
- 2.1. Additional cross section attached at Appendix A.

¹ There will be a theoretical surplus of some 62,000 tonnes’ worth of HGV movements over the 20 year lifetime of the quarry, or 3,100 tonnes per annum. This is the case because the HGVs are worked out on a weekly average not daily limit. There is a surplus of available HGV movements regardless of how much building stone is recovered from ‘the mound’.

- 3.0. *Response of 27 April - Section 7.0. Please provide the details of the person referenced Also, can you please be very clear which properties are served by the water supply from the spring collection chambers. The response of the 27 April 2023 seems to infer it only one property draws water, but then notes "...they were acting as a point of relay for information to the other nearby residents...". The submission by Hafren water notes "The water passes to a second chamber where it is filtered before being piped to the properties at Fish Beck." EH have previously noted that 6 properties are effected and if this is the case we are somewhat surprised that no direct contact appears to have been made with any other residents who may be effected and with only verbal conversations with one residential property. We note the borehole is no longer on offer, is this the case for the previous offered mains water supply as well?*
- 3.1. Firstly, and most importantly, the applicant has demonstrated through drilling, groundwater monitoring and a Hydrogeological Risk Assessment, that the quarry profile and the base of extraction do not interact with groundwater and therefore the chamber supply. This conclusion renders the point at paragraph 3.4 moot and we have only responded for completeness and transparency.
- 3.2. We note and welcome the conclusion of the Environment Agency's specialist officers who have likewise not taken issue with this approach and have no objection to the proposals.
- 3.3. We note your surprise but continuing any dialogue (had the contact still been amenable) regarding the provision of a borehole or mains water to any residential property once this had been established was not necessary as there is, demonstrably, no mitigation required.
- 3.4. Secondly, and without prejudice to the first point, the chamber in question is diminutive (Appendix B) and the applicant has never seen it full. The chamber is fed by what can only be described as a 'trickle' of spring water (that is ephemeral in dry summers). Based on our working knowledge of similar systems this chamber is unlikely to be able to reliably satisfy the needs of one domestic property (let alone several) and the applicant would welcome a visit from officers to draw their own conclusions if necessary.

- 3.5. In summary, the applicant has demonstrated that there will be no impact upon the chamber should the quarry be worked to its proposed base of extraction. Furthermore, the Environment Agency have no objection to the proposal and recommend a 'safeguarding' condition which the applicant welcomes and accepts entirely as drafted.
- 3.6. The applicant has only provided additional responses for completeness and transparency, they are superseded for the purposes of the planning application by the findings of the independent Hydrogeological Risk Assessment.

Appendix A
232m Cross Section



LP1 405310.832 447936.292 254.171
 LP2 405212.081 447769.959 223.088
 LP3 405190.392 447785.943 222.053

Legend

Boundary Type and Description	
	Close Board
	Chain Link
	Misc.
	Knee Rail
	Open Board
	Palisade
	Metal Railings
	Picket
	Post & Rail
	Post & Wire
	Wire Mesh
	Brick Wall
	Brick Retaining Wall
	Stone Wall
	Stone Retaining Wall
	Block Wall
	Misc. Wall
	Gate

Vegetation	
	Hedge
	Edge of Hedge
	Edge of Canopy
	Tree and Trunk
	Stump
	Bush
	Verge

General Utility Linestyles	
	Drainage Combined
	Drainage Foul
	Drainage Surface
	Drainage Unidentified
	O/Head Combined
	O/Head Electric
	O/Head Telemec

General Survey Abbreviations			
AV	Air Valve	GV	Gas Valve
BH	Borehole Collar	HP	Hand Pit
BX	Box (General)	IBO	Illuminated Bollard
BX/E	Box (Elec)	IC	Inspection Cover
BX/G	Box (Gas)	IL	Invert Level
BX/T	Box (Telecom)	KO	Kerb Outlet
BX/W	Box (Water)	LP	Lampost
BM	Benchmark	LT	Light
BO	Bollard	MH	Manhole
BS	Bus Stop	Mkr	Marker
Bin	Bin	POST	Post (General)
BT	Telemec Cover	PB	Post Box
CCTV	Air Valve	RE	Rodding Eye
CL	Cover Level	RS	Road Sign
DK	Dropkerb	Stay	Cable Stay
DP	Downpipe	SV	Stop Valve
DP/G	Downpipe/Gully	TL	Traffic Light
EC	Electric Cover	TFR	Taken From Records
EDR	End of Records	TP	Telemec Pole
EOS	End of Survey	TV	Cable TV
EOT	End of Trace	UTGA	Unable to Gain Access
EP	Electric Pole	UTL	Unable to Lift
ER	Earth Rod	UTS	Unable to Survey
FH	Fire Hydrant	UTT	Unable to Trace
FL	Floor Level	WL	Water Level
FP	Flag Pole	WS	Window Sample
GP	Gate Post		
G	Girder		
GU	Gully		

Measured Survey Abbreviations			
AC	Air Conditioning	SCH	Structural Ceiling Height
AH	Access Hatch	SKY	Sky Light
AP	Access Panel	W	Window Height
BH	Beam Height		
C	Cill Height		
DH	Door Height		
FCH	False Ceiling Height		
FL	Floor Level		
HT	Height (General)		
RD	Radiator		

CO-ORDINATES AND ELEVATIONS ARE SET BY GNSS AT STATION LP1.
 CO-ORDINATES ARE TO OS NATIONAL GRID USING OSTN15 TRANSFORMATION
 LEVELS ARE TO ORDNANCE DATUM USING OSGM15 GEOD MODEL.
 THE REMAINDER OF THE SURVEY IS TO SCALE FACTOR 1 PLANE GRID.

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Quarry Design

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Appendix B
Chamber Photos



Chamber Image A – Inflow seen in top left, image taken in October 2021



Chamber Image B – Image Taken in October 2021