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Subject: LU/0108/20 - Clarification

Afternoon Notified Parties,

On 14 August 2020, you received a letter regarding the resource consent application from Shaw's Property Holdings Limited seeking for the establishment and operation of a mineral extraction activity (sand quarry) at 928 Kaipaki Road, Leamington, Cambridge (Council reference LU/0108/20). Following a query from one of the notified parties I have been provided with further clarification from the agent as follows:

- The annual maximum extraction limit of 200,000m³ is the parameter used to determine overall effects (particularly those relating to traffic);
- The 900,000 m³ figure came from the geotechnical assessment which set out, in the very early stages, to "prove" there was an economic level of resource on the site prior to embarking on a full consent application process. The results of this assessment showed there was good resource focussed within a 13.4 hectare area of the site (Area A) while other areas of the site (Area B) were likely to contain less economical product. To this extent, the total estimate of 900,000m³ of sand (Area A) will be the minimum volume expected.
- Assuming the resource beneath Area B is also saleable, the applicant would hope to have a volume of approximately 2,275,000m³ available for extraction. In reality, however, due to buffer setbacks, angled / benched working faces along the site perimeter, and potential pockets or layers of non-useable materials (mainly in Area B), the best case scenario for the applicant is likely to be more in the order of 2,200,000m³.
- This is all a bit speculative, but in that event, the activity could be done and dusted within 11 years (assuming the maximum extraction rate was reached every year).
- In hindsight, the AEE probably doesn't make the above all that clear, but 900,000m³ was always intended to represent the minimum volume of sand extracted, while the applicant would obviously hope for as much sand as possible from the site. Hence, there was never any intention to specify a maximum total extraction volume – just a maximum annual extracted volume.

Should you have any queries or wish discuss the notification and submission process, feel free to contact the undersigned. Reminder any submissions on the application must be received by Council no later than 5pm on Monday 14 September 2020.

Kind regards

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