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Report to Strategic Sites Committee Update

Application Number:	CM/0003/23
Proposal:	Mineral extraction with low level restoration to lakes, woodland and grassland, as an eastern extension to New Denham Quarry
Site Location:	New Denham Quarry Denham Road, Denham Buckinghamshire, UB9 4EH
Applicant:	Summerleaze Ltd
Case Officer:	James Suter
Ward(s) affected:	Denham
Parish-Town Council:	Denham Parish Council
Date valid application received:	8 th March 2023
Statutory determination date:	7 th June 2023

Supplementary information to report

Per para 14.9 of the Officer Report a technical note has been prepared by the applicant concerning the flood risk from reservoirs.

The note states that:

"The Site is indicated by Environment Agency modelling to be located within the flood extent from a reservoir failure when rivers are in flood. It is not within the flood extent if the failure were to occur when river levels are normal. To be clear, the site only falls within an extreme possible worst-case scenario... the Reservoirs Act 1975... specifies that reservoirs over 25,000 m3 are subject to regular inspection and maintenance requirements. As such, flooding as a result of reservoir failure is extremely unlikely."

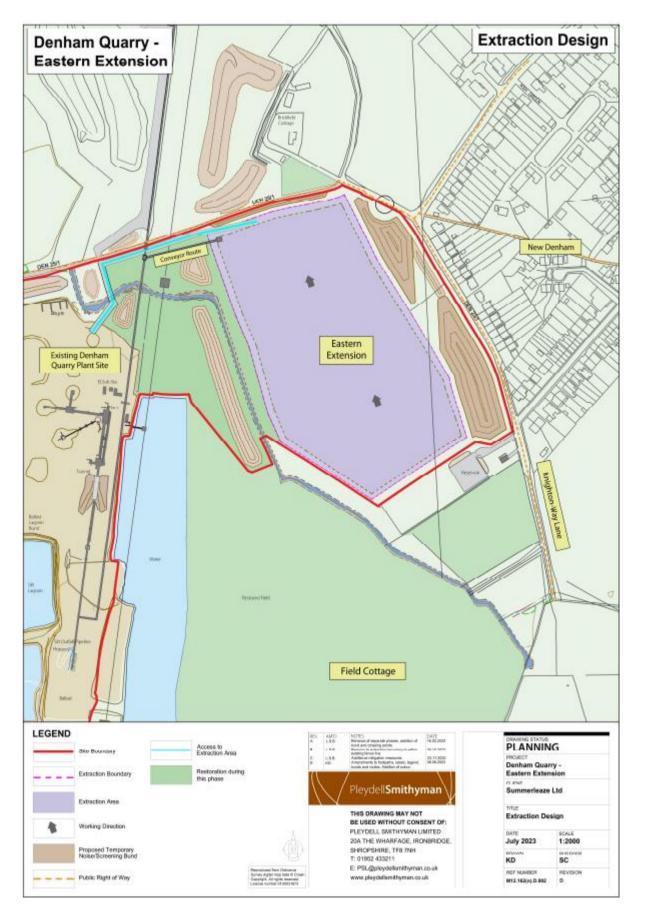
The note concludes:

"Annex 3 of the National Planning Policy Framework2, defines the development proposal as a "watercompatible" development type which is deemed suitable in all Flood Zones. Therefore, even in the extremely unlikely event of flooding due to reservoir failure coupled with a flood event, the development is considered to be at very low vulnerability with respect to flood risk. As such, the risk of reservoir flooding posed to the proposed scheme is assessed to be very low."

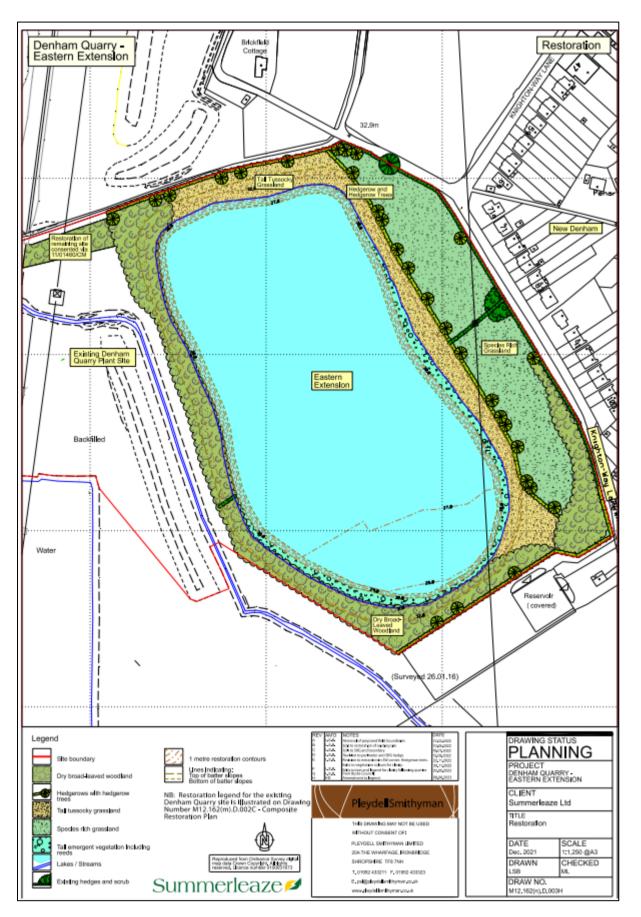
Officers consider that the submission confirms the proposal would not result in unacceptable flood risks for the development or elsewhere in accordance with policy CP13 of the SBCS and policy 16 of the BMWLP.

Supplementary Drawings:

Extraction Design:



Restoration:



Background Drawing taken from application ref: CM/0004/21 showing composite restoration design for the wider New Denham Quarry:

