

**NORFOLK MINERALS SITE ALLOCATIONS DPD: SINGLE ISSUE
SILICA SAND REVIEW (THE PLAN) EXAMINATION**

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Dear Caroline Jeffery,

**Norfolk Minerals Site Specific Allocations Development Plan Document:
Silica Sand Single Issue Review – Areas of Search D & E**

Further to our discussions on Area of Search (AoS) D at the hearing sessions, but without prejudice to my final findings, I would like to make the Council aware that I am likely to recommend the deletion of AoS D from the plan for reasons relating to public access to the public open access area, as dedicated by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act (2000). I would appreciate it if the Council could draft potential Main Modifications (MMs) deleting the AoS from the plan, for public consultation, along with any other MMs that have already been discussed.

Turning to a different matter associated with AoS E, I have also written to Historic England to request that they provide additional evidence to support their view that AoS E cannot 'in principle' come forward in the plan until further work has been undertaken, and why they believe that matters associated with the historic environment cannot be suitably considered and addressed at the planning application stage for a site within AoS E. Once this has been received I will be asking the Council to provide comments on the additional evidence.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Manning

INSPECTOR