

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

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Dear Alice Eggeling,

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

Thank you for recently attending the hearing sessions for the above plan. Unfortunately for several reasons, Historic England's concern with regard to the 'principle' of Area of Search (AoS) E was not clear to me before the hearing sessions for the above plan. Further, I was not made aware of the discussions that had taken place between the Council and Historic England leading up to the hearing sessions.

In order to move forward on this matter, I consider that I need additional evidence to support Historic England's view that matters associated with the historic environment within AoS E cannot be suitably considered and addressed at the planning application stage for any sites coming forward and why it is Historic England's view that this must be undertaken prior to the inclusion of the AoS in the Plan for adoption, bearing in mind the allocation is an area of search covering a wide area and not a specific site for development. Please could this be provided in writing and within a timescale to be agreed with me via Annette Feeney the programmes officer? I would appreciate it if the timescale for providing this work could be agreed within one week of receipt of this letter.

Once the additional evidence has been provided, I will allow the Council the opportunity to provide their comments. Following this, I will come to a view as to whether a further hearing session is required to discuss this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Manning

INSPECTOR