16. MINERALS - MONITORING REPORT (TE)

1. Purpose

To update members on the latest mineral policy Monitoring Report (2016/17-2022/23 due to omission of the topic area in wider policy Monitoring Report put before Members on the 12th July 2024.

Key Issues

 To bring mineral policy monitoring up to date and provide an overview of the work completed by the Strategic Planning & Minerals team over the same time period.

2. Recommendations

1. That the report be noted.

How does this contribute to our policies and legal obligations?

3. The Localism Act 2011 removed the statutory requirement for an annual monitoring report but the overall duty to monitor planning policies remains. Authorities can choose which targets and indicators to include in the report as long as they are in line with the National Planning Policy Framework and relevant legislation.

4. Background Information

- 1. Policy monitoring has changed since 2011:
- From 2005-2017 Annual Monitoring Reports were produced. These were comprehensive in scope and from 2011 onwards included data on specific indicators.
- From 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2019 monitoring has been aligned to the National Park Management Plan, reporting only on housing and contrary to policy cases.
- 2. The Authority is now undergoing a review of its Local Plan and it is good practice to have an up-to-date monitoring report. This report therefore focuses on the period 2016/17-2022/23. In this way a comprehensive suite of monitoring reports is provided to cover the whole Core Strategy monitoring period to date.

5. Proposals

To note the report, including the key findings that:

- No consents granted for aggregate minerals under Policy MIN1 during the monitoring period.
- No consents granted for open cast fluorspar extraction during the monitoring period.

- 1 consent granted for small scale building stone extraction under Policy MIN3 during the monitoring period.
- Identified difficulties in acquiring suitable building and roofing stone for heritage projects within the National Park.
- MIN3 provision for limestone for building purposes appears successful, but gritstone provision less so.
- 8 sites currently undergoing restoration and aftercare for nature conservation purposes.

Are there any corporate implications members should be concerned about?

6. Financial:

None

7. Risk Management:

This updated Monitoring Report reduces risks around compliance with planning legislation.

8. Sustainability:

No implications

9. Equality, Diversity and Inclusion:

No implications

10. Climate Change:

No implications

11. Background papers (not previously published)

None.

12. Appendices

MINERALS MONITORING REPORT 2016-2023 - STATEMENT OF PROGRESS

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