

Agenda Item: 20
Report to: Planning, Transport & Environment Committee
Date: Wednesday 5th May 2021
Subject: Blaise Farm
Summary: Long term use of land

Recommendation

To note responses regarding the long term use of the land.

After the liaison meeting with Blaise Farm the following questions were asked and the responses given.

1. What is the status of your land acquisition / planning approval (given the complication of the public footpath)?

There are no land acquisition issues as all the mineral on site has planning approval. The footpath diversion is currently at application stage with the planners and is a public document.

2. When Gallaghers leave the site, what are your responsibilities to reconstitute the land? and will the quarry be filled in or merely landscaped?

The long term restoration plan under the planning permission is not to fill but to restore the land to lower levels and landscaped mainly to arable/pasture land with some woodland planting.

3. What the eventual use of the land will be post Gallaghers?

Gallagher's lease of the site to the standards set out within the permission. Our understanding is that The site will be handed back to the owners, Hanson Quarry Products Europe, at the end of it will be returned to its previous status as general farming land.

Decision Required:

To note responses regarding the long term use of the land.

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Date: 29th April 2021