



The Coal
Authority

Resolving the impacts of mining

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BY EMAIL ONLY:

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Dear Ms Adams

Kings Clipstone Neighbourhood Plan – Submission

Thank you for the notification of the 30 August 2018 consulting The Coal Authority on the above NDP.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body which works to protect the public and the environment in coal mining areas. Our statutory role in the planning system is to provide advice about new development in the coalfield areas and also protect coal resources from unnecessary sterilisation by encouraging their extraction, where practical, prior to the permanent surface development commencing.

As you will be aware the Neighbourhood Plan area lies within the current defined coalfield.

According to the Coal Authority Development High Risk Area Plans, there are recorded risks from past coal mining activity in the form of fissures. It is also noted that there have been 21 mining related hazards reported.

Having reviewed the Neighbourhood Plan it is noted that it does not propose to allocate any sites for future development. On this basis we have no specific comments to make. However, should the Neighbourhood Plan wish to allocate any sites for future development then consideration will need to be given to the potential risks posed by the recorded fissures to surface stability.

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) please continue to consult The Coal Authority on planning matters using the specific email address of

Yours sincerely

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