

RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES

WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON STRUCTURE PLAN 2016

RESTORATION OF MINERALS SITES

MSP3 LAND USED FOR MINERALS EXPLORATION OR WORKING OR FOR ASSOCIATED PLANT OR BUILDINGS SHOULD BE RESTORED AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY TO A STATE WHICH WILL PRESERVE OR ENHANCE THE OVERALL QUALITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND WHICH IS SUITABLE FOR A BENEFICIAL AFTER-USE APPROPRIATE TO THE LOCATION, IN PARTICULAR:

- (i) THE AGRICULTURAL POTENTIAL OF ANY AREA OF BEST AND MOST VERSATILE AGRICULTURAL LAND SHOULD BE MAINTAINED OR ENHANCED BY RESTORATION OF THE SITE AND
- (ii) WHERE APPROPRIATE, RESTORED LAND SHOULD BE SUBJECT TO A PERIOD OF AFTERCARE.

ADOPTED WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON MINERALS LOCAL PLAN 2001

POLICY 31 - RESTORATION

MINERALS DEVELOPMENT WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED WHEN THE PROPOSALS (INCLUDING THOSE FOR AMENDED WORKING AND RESTORATION) PROVIDE FOR THE SATISFACTORY RESTORATION OF THE SITE AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE OPPORTUNITY TO AN APPROPRIATE LANDFORM AND LANDSCAPE CHARACTER, WHICH IS CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING A BENEFICIAL AFTER USE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN APPROVED SCHEME.