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Resolving the impacts of mining

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Dear Planning Policy Team

Biddulph Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you for the notification of the 15 July 2021 consulting The Coal Authority on the above Neighbourhood Development Plan.

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.

The Coal Authority records indicate that within the Neighbourhood Plan area there are recorded risks from past coal mining activity at shallow depth and at surface, including; mine entries, recorded and probable unrecorded coal workings, mine gas sites and reported hazards.

However the Neighbourhood Plan does not appear to allocate any sites for future development and on this basis we have no specific comments to make.

Yours sincerely

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