

Question posed to Full Council Meeting, West Lindsey District Council, July 2025

The question asking for reassurance that SG01 would remain an unfavoured site was addressed to the leader.

Officers previously prepared draft answer October 2025

Thank you for the question.

Lincolnshire County Council is the Minerals Authority for Lincolnshire and as such it is responsible for making decisions on applications for mineral exploration and working, and for allocating land for such uses, as well as maintaining planning policies for minerals exploration and extraction. This is contained within the Minerals and Waste Local Plan.

LCC consulted on their emerging minerals and waste plan in September last year and we (this Council) made a representation thorough our Central Lincolnshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee regarding this site.

In the consultation the site in **question had been discounted**, (not planned for use) and so our consultation response said the following *'We Agree with the decision to discount site SG01 – Land at Lea Fields, Lea. We Consider that this site due to its proximity to a Crematorium and residential dwellings and amenities, as well as being within 200m of a SSSI that as well as not being a suitable site during this review, it would not be a suitable site in future years either'*

LCC are yet to publish the outcome of the consultation so timelines remain unclear. However I can assure that this Council, has and will continue through the formal channels to oppose the use of this site for minerals and support the notion that alternative materials need to be used.

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