

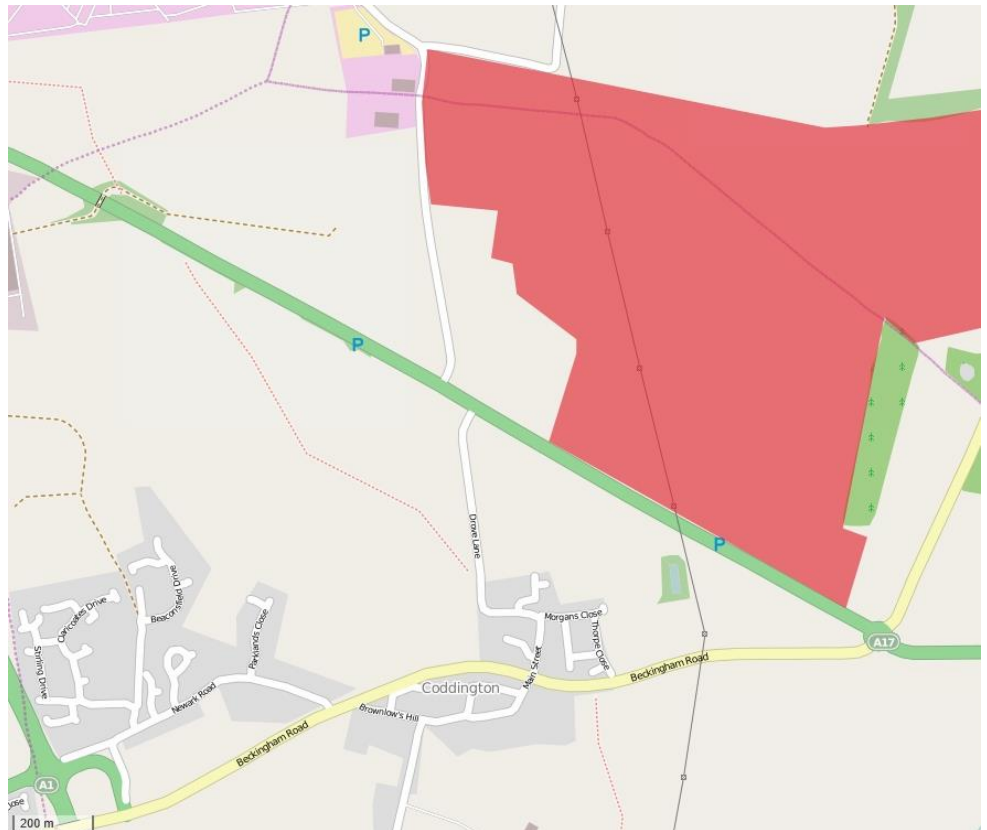
Act Now! - Local Mineral Plan - Massive quarry being planned for Coddington

The County Council are proposing to include a massive **300 acre quarry** at Coddington in their latest local minerals plan – the largest new sand and gravel quarry in the whole of Nottinghamshire for several decades.

The quarry, shown in red, is expected to produce **half a million tonnes a year** of sand and gravel.

What does this mean for people who live in Coddington?

- **180 extra** heavy lorry movements a day driving onto and along the A17 to distant customers in South Yorkshire and Nottingham
- Disruption from the quarry for at least **twenty years**
- **Noise, dust and lower house prices** for everyone nearby
- Loss of quality farm land and damage to wildlife, trees and woodland
- Effects on the amenities of the Air Museum, Stapleford Woods and Showground
- A lower quality environment making it harder to sell your house if you need to move
- More areas around the village **ripe for exploitation** as quarries after that! (see overleaf)



The County Council's own report admits that this quarry will have negative impacts on noise, dust, traffic, risk of flooding, biodiversity, landscape, and agricultural land. The need is all driven by those of businesses remote from Newark, not for the people who live in Coddington.

This is your last chance to have your say on this new quarry, by letting the County Council know what you think, using the attached form.

You need to fill in Part A and Part B, and post it to: Planning Policy Team, Policy, Planning and Corporate Services, Nottinghamshire County Council, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP. If you want to email the form, please send it to: development.planning@nottscc.gov.uk

You can also comment online via the County Council's interactive service at <http://nottinghamshire.jdi-consult.net/ldf>. If you need help doing this, you can email me at dajavous@gmail.com and I will get back to you.

All comments must be received at the County Council by **Friday 11 July 2014**.

If you want to find the sand and gravel consultation paperwork you can find it at Nottinghamshire County Council's website: <http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/planning/local-development-framework/mineralsdevplandocuments/minerals/> and look on the page for the document Additional Sand and Gravel Consultation Document [PDF].

Regards,

David Armstrong
Coddington Parish Councillor
Manor Dairy Farmhouse, The Green, Coddington

What comes next for Coddington once quarrying starts?

This map shows why the planned sand and gravel quarry may just be the start of a very long period of widespread quarrying around Coddington, if it is given the go ahead.

All of the areas highlighted in pale yellow have been identified as land that should be classed as 'Mineral Safeguarding Areas' for potential future sand and gravel extraction – development in and close by these areas will be restricted to avoid future quarrying being blocked.

You can see how a patchwork of sand and gravel quarries has developed west of Winthorpe on this map, leaving large areas of ponds and lakes. We could expect a similar pattern of quarrying and 'reclamation' (landfill) to develop at Coddington, and you can see how the areas of 'Mineral Safeguarding' includes large areas South of the A17, right up to the Green / Morgan's Close and both sides of Drove Lane.

Please bear in mind this future expansion of quarrying when deciding whether to write to the County Council about the impact of the Nottinghamshire Local Minerals Plan on people in Coddington.

We are also on the Lincolnshire border (purple line) – that county will be developing its own Minerals Plan, safeguarding land for sand and gravel extraction all along the Notts/Lincs border from Long Bennington to beyond Gainsborough (for their own pits from Norton Bottoms to Whisby).

