

APPENDIX 7.7:
PARAGRAPH 6.193 OF COMPOSITE DEPOSIT LOCAL PLAN

Wrexham Local Development Plan 2013 - 2028

KSD05

housing

open space

employment

community

transport

education



Composite Version
Deposit Plan with
Focussed Changes/
Minor Editing Changes
(version to be examined by
Inspector April 2019)

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~~6.190~~ [6.193](#) Minerals can only be worked where they occur and it is accepted that this means that mineral extraction often needs to occur in open countryside. Wrexham is underlain by a wealth of mineral and it is therefore considered feasible to direct extraction to areas which would have the least impact on communities as well as areas of environmental and cultural importance. The Regional Technical Statement identifies a need for crushed rock across Flintshire and Wrexham but does not identify any further need for sand and gravel in Wrexham. Potential sources of crushed rock within the County Borough largely coincide with the ANOB and it is considered unlikely that a proposal for aggregate would meet the tests contained within Planning Policy Wales paragraph 14.3.2 with respect to exceptional circumstances. The extent of limestone outside of the AONB is very limited in Wrexham and poorly located in terms of the trunk road network, furthermore, there are no active crushed rock sites within the County Borough.

~~6.191~~ [6.194](#) By comparison, Flintshire has significant deposits of crushed rock outside the AONB including a number of operational sites which could potentially be extended. Wrexham will make provision for crushed rock through collaboration with Flintshire with an allocation to be identified in the Flintshire Local Development Plan 2015-2030¹⁴⁸. No allocation has therefore been identified in Wrexham. This matter will be carefully monitored to ensure that provision is made. Policy MW3 has criteria against which an application for extraction could be assessed against in the event that an application comes forward in Wrexham and monitoring will enable action to be taken in the event that provision is demonstrated not to be forthcoming in Flintshire. There are existing sand and gravel sites within the County Borough which provide an important contribution towards the regional supply of sand and gravel and no allocation is therefore currently required.

~~6.192~~ [6.195](#) Sites which are dormant or inactive will be kept under review and prohibition orders issued where deemed necessary.

¹⁴⁸ <http://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Planning/Development-plans--policies.aspx>