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For the Attention of: Sharon Holman – Case Officer
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[By Email: planning@wrexham.gov.uk]

2 September 2019

Dear Sharon

PLANNING APPLICATION: P/2019/0621

Application for a non-material amendment to planning permission P/2017/0437 to increase size of single-storey rear extension and replace headers and cills (Plot 3 only); Land North of 8 Grango Lane, Ponciau, Wrexham, LL14 1ER

Thank you for your consultation letter of 20 August 2019 seeking the views of The Coal Authority on the above planning application.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. As a statutory consultee, The Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

The Coal Authority Response:

The Coal Authority has **no objections** to this planning application on the basis that we were previously able to confirm no objections to the LPA discharging the relevant parts of Condition 13 of the issued consent in respect of Plots 1-3 and the access road.

Notwithstanding the above, on the basis that the LPA was satisfied that the requirements of the condition in respect of Plot 4 could and would be addressed separately at a later date prior to the construction of that dwelling, The Coal Authority considers that **Condition 13 should be duplicated on any re-issued consent, or consent to that effect.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

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General Information for the Applicant

Under the Coal Industry Act 1994 any intrusive activities, including initial site investigation boreholes, and/or any subsequent treatment of coal mine workings/coal mine entries for ground stability purposes require the prior written permission of The Coal Authority, since such activities can have serious public health and safety implications. Failure to obtain permission will result in trespass, with the potential for court action. In the event that you are proposing to undertake such work in the Forest of Dean local authority area our permission may not be required; it is recommended that you check with us prior to commencing any works. Application forms for Coal Authority permission and further guidance can be obtained from The Coal Authority's website at:

www.gov.uk/get-a-permit-to-deal-with-a-coal-mine-on-your-property

Building over or within the influencing distance of a mine entry (shaft or adit) can be dangerous and has the potential for significant risks to both the development and the occupiers if not undertaken appropriately. The Coal Authority would draw your attention to our adopted policy regarding new development and mine entries:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/building-on-or-within-the-influencing-distance-of-mine-entries

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In formulating this response The Coal Authority has taken full account of the professional conclusions reached by the competent person who has prepared the Coal Mining Risk Assessment or other similar report. In the event that any future claim for liability arises in relation to this development The Coal Authority will take full account of the views, conclusions and mitigation previously expressed by the professional advisers for this development in relation to ground conditions and the acceptability of development.

