

NATURAL MINERALS RESOURCE PLANNING IN THE UK

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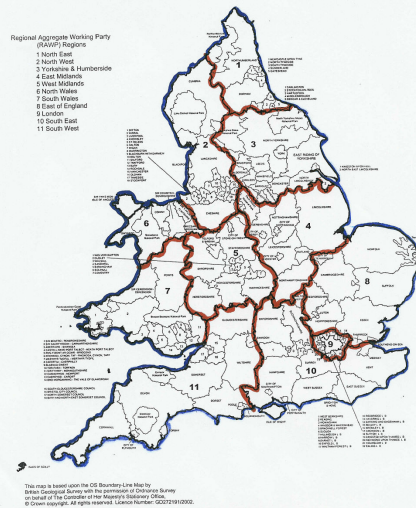


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1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SYSTEM
2. THE PLANNING SYSTEM -
- FORWARD MINERALS PLANNING - NATIONAL
- REGIONAL
- LOCAL
3. MINERALS DEVELOPMENT CONTROL



Map 1 Mineral Planning Authorities and RAWP Regions in England and Wales, 2001



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FORWARD MINERALS PLANNING SYSTEM IN ENGLAND – (AGGREGATES)

1) NATIONAL

- MINERALS PLANNING GUIDANCE NOTE 6 (MPG 6) (1992-2006)
- CONTAINS:-
 - NUMERICAL NATIONAL SUPPLY SCENARIO FOR:-
 - SECONDARY AND RECYCLED AGGREGATES
 - LAND WON SAND & GRAVEL/CRUSHED ROCK
 - MARINE DREDGED SAND & GRAVEL
 - IMPORTS FROM WALES, SCOTLAND & BEYOND [CURRENTLY BEING REVISED FOR PERIOD 2001-2016]
 - REGIONAL SUPPLY GUIDELINES
 - NATIONAL, GENERAL POLICY ADVICE



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2. REGIONAL

8 REGIONAL AGGREGATE WORKING PARTIES (RAWPs)

- COMPRISE - COUNTY PLANNERS
- INDUSTRY
- CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

- MAIN TASKS - (1) TECHNICAL ADVICE GROUPS TO GOVERNMENT/LOCAL GOVERNMENT
- (2) ADVICE ON SUB-DIVIDING REGIONAL AGGREGATE GUIDELINES TO COUNTIES/UNITARY DISTRICTS



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3) LOCAL

- MINERALS LOCAL PLANS/UNITARY DEVELOPMENT PLANS
- SECTION 54A - "PRESUMPTION IN FAVOUR OF DEVELOPMENT WHICH ACCORDS WITH THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN UNLESS MATERIAL CONSIDERATIONS DICTATE OTHERWISE"
- MINERALS ALLOCATIONS BASED ON SUB-REGIONAL APPORTIONMENT GUIDE FIGURE PLUS CARRY OVER AT END OF PLAN - 7 YRS FOR SAND & GRAVEL
 - 10-15 YEARS FOR CRUSHED ROCK



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DEVELOPMENT CONTROL

- 1) PLANNING APPLICATION PLUS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TO COUNTY/UNITARY COUNCIL
- 2) PUBLICITY STAGE, FORMAL CONSULTATIONS, PUBLIC MEETINGS
- 3) DECISION - PERMISSION - 50-100 PLANNING CONDITIONS
 - SECTION 106 PLANNING OBLIGATION
 - LOCAL AUTHORITY MONITORING & ENFORCEMENT- REFUSAL - APPEAL - PUBLIC INQUIRY




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NATIONAL MINERALS POLICY (AGGREGATES)

“ TO ENSURE THAT THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CONTINUES TO RECEIVE AN ADEQUATE AND STEADY SUPPLY OF MINERALS AT THE BEST BALANCE OF SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC COST, CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT”






Category **Agriculture**




Location Laleham Farm Shepperton Surrey

Operating Company Greenham Construction Materials Limited

Site Background Laleham Farm extends to 47.7 hectares of high quality farmland (Grades 2 & 3a) and both prior to and since mineral extraction has grown specialist vegetable crops. It is situated close to the River Thames at Laleham, between Shepperton and Staines. A total of 4.5 million tonnes of sand and gravel were extracted from the site.



Harvesting kohlrabi, a cultivated variety of cabbage, on land filled with inert waste



Harvesting a spring onion crop, with rows of fennel in the background

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CONCLUSIONS

- SIMILAR PLANNING SYSTEM FOR OTHER MINERALS EXCEPT OIL & GAS
- SIMILAR MINERAL PLANNING SYSTEMS IN SCOTLAND & WALES
- CENTRALISED PLANNING SYSTEM IN NORTHERN IRELAND
- NO REGIONAL PLANNING IN SCOTLAND & WALES
- NO NUMERICAL NATIONAL GUIDANCE IN SCOTLAND

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GREAT BRITAIN - " THIS ISLAND IS MADE
MAINLY OF COAL & SURROUNDED BY FISH.
ONLY AN ORGANISING GENIUS COULD
PRODUCE A SHORTAGE OF COAL & FISH AT
THE SAME TIME"

ANEURIN BEVAN - 1945

