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**Board Direction**  
**PL07 249156**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

The Board decided to refuse permission, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the following reasons and considerations.

### **Reasons and Considerations**

1. Having regard to the flooding history in the vicinity of the site, the Board is not satisfied that the proposed quarry extension will not give rise to increased levels of groundwater and surface water egress into the quarry. It is considered that the increase in water discharge rates arising from the development has the potential to exacerbate flood risk within the area, particularly in the absence of the implementation of the proposed flood alleviation scheme for the wider area. Furthermore, the Board considered the proposed extension to be premature pending the granting of a licence to discharge to surface waters therefore, the proposed development is considered to be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
2. Having regard to the planning history of the subject quarry development, and in particular the grant of substitute consent under ABP reference number SU07-SU0047 on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2014 and the conditions of this substitute consent, it is considered that any further development of this quarry would be premature until evidence has been submitted that condition numbers 3, 4, 5 and 6 have been complied with to the satisfaction of the planning authority.

Note: The Board was not satisfied that the submitted EIS adequately identified and assessed the impacts on the environment, including the nearby sensitive receptors (dwellings), of the proposed concrete batching plant, but decided not to include this as a specific reason for refusal, having regard for the substantive reasons for refusal set out above.

**Board Member**

**Date:** 10.07.2018

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