

Scoping – Case Examples

EXAMPLES FROM ENGLAND



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Scoping Report

It is reasonably commonplace to publish scoping reports, particularly for large (e.g. Annex I) developments. The example report shown above consisted of 694 pages. It is intended to support the competent authorities decision on the appropriate scope.



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Environmental Feature	Component	Possible construction impacts envisaged?	Possible post-construction effects envisaged?	Main effect?	Likely significant effect?	Comments / reason for e
AIR AND CLIMATE	Local air quality	Y	Y	Y	?	Increased emissions of NO _x
	Particulates and dust	Y	N	Y	Y	Properties within 200 m of
	Odour	N	Y	?	?	Potential for odour from #
	Local climatic effects	N	N	N	N	The nature of the propose
	Transboundary air quality	N	N	N	N	The scale, nature and loca
	Global climate	N	N	N	N	The scale, nature and loca
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL EFFECTS	Carbon dioxide budget / emissions	Y	Y	Y	?	There will be CO ₂ emissi
	Population profile and density	N	Y	Y	Y	The influx of new populat
	Demography	N	Y	Y	?	The influx of new populat
	Housing	N	Y	Y	Y	Provision of new market i
	Employment	Y	Y	Y	?	Creation of employment c
	Lifestyle / standard of living	N	N	N	N	The nature of the propose
	Education / health / local services	N	Y	Y	Y	Potential increase in press
	Public health and safety	N	N	N	N	The nature of the propose
	Social inclusion / exclusion	N	N	N	N	The nature of the propose
	Local environmental amenity	Y	N	Y	?	Construction works may i

Scoping checklist

Appendix providing an overview of all issues considered and why they were or were not considered significant based on a simple scoping checklist.



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4.4 Local Planning Policy

Table 4.2: Local Planning Policy Guidance

REFERENCE	RELEVANCE
Northamptonshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework – Core Strategy, adopted May 2010	
Policy CS 4 – Spatial Strategy for Mineral Extraction	Highlights preferred areas of working.
Policy CS 6 – Building and Roofing Stone	To ensure conservation of the historic built environment and locally distinctive characteristics.
Policy CS 9 – Encouraging Sustainable Transport Movements	Sustainable transport movements to be built in to operational processes.
Policy CS 10 – Minerals Safeguarding Areas	To safeguard sources of important mineral resource from sterilisation
Policy CS 11 – Safeguarding Waste Management and Related Development from Alternative Uses	To protect the mineral reserves from sterilisation by unrelated development
Policy CS 12 – Development in the Vicinity of the Minerals and Waste Development	To ensure that development in proximity of any waste or minerals facility does not have any undue effect on those facilities.
Policy CS 13 –	All mineral and waste related development of a temporary nature

Coherence with planning policy

It is commonplace for EIA Reports in England & Wales to contain chapters which explore the relationship between the proposed project and national/ local planning policies.



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- 5.1.1 The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) will assess the potential significant impacts associated with the proposal. The individual topics proposed include,
- Introduction, Background and Context
 - The Site and Its Setting
 - Methodology
 - The Development Proposal
 - Planning History and Planning Policy Context
 - Consultation
 - Need and Alternatives
 - Dust
 - Ecology
 - Flood Risk
 - Heritage
 - Hydrology and Hydrogeology
 - Landscape and Visual Amenity
 - Noise
 - Traffic and Transportation
 - Summary of Impacts

Proposed scope for quarry

The topics which the developer proposers to address for a relatively modest quarry are shown in this picture. Further information on each topic is provided in the scoping report.

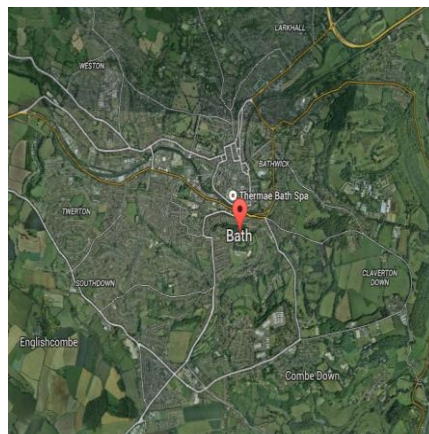
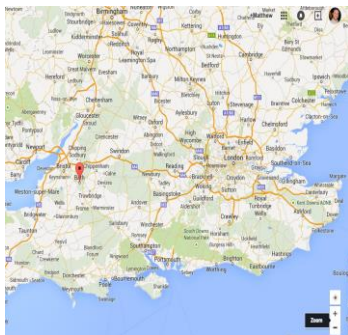


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Combe Down Stone Mines, UK



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Stabilisation of Combe Down Stone Mines, UK



- Estimated void space of 400,000 m²
- Stabilisation budget €185 million



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