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Dear Mr Haine

THE EXTRACTION AND PROCESSING OF SAND AND GRAVEL INCLUDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SITE ACCESS ROADS, LANDSCAPING AND SCREENING BUNDS, MINERALS WASHING PLANT AND OTHER ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE WITH RESTORATION TO LEISURE END-USES, AGRICULTURAL LAND AND BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT, USING IMPORTED INERT FILL.

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We have been made aware of the proximity of potential brine infrastructure to the proposed development site and wish to add the following informative comment, further to our previous response (dated 18/09/23 and referenced NO/2023/115508/01-L01).

BGS Boreholes – advice to LPA/applicant

The British Geological Survey (BGS) website shows there to be a borehole (referenced SD34NE103) just outside of the proposed site boundary. There is reference to the brine wells shown on OS mapping in the submitted Hydrogeological Impact Assessment – section 2.9.5 'Groundwater Abstractions'. The nearest is stated as being 1.1km away, however according to the BGS borehole maps, the closest is approximately 35 metres from the site boundary.

We believe that the applicants should be made aware of the potential presence of a pipeline/associated brine infrastructure and consider how this may affect their proposals.

Yours sincerely

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