



The Coal
Authority

Replacement Merthyr Tydfil Local Development Plan 2016-2031 (LDP Examination - Hearings (25 June to 5 July 2019))

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Dear Sir/Madam

Replacement Merthyr Tydfil Local Development Plan 2016-2031 – Examination Issues, Matters and Questions

Thank you for your notification received on the 13 May 2019 in respect of the above.

The question of interest to the Coal Authority is set out in, 8.2 Minerals, question b, which asks the following:

b. Do the safeguarding of the primary coal resource and assessment criteria in policy EcW13 'Minerals Safeguarding' accord with paragraph 5.10.17 of PPW?

The question however would appear to be one for the LPA to answer and not for the Coal Authority to comment on.

We have already noted our support for this policy in our comments back to the LPA in September 2018. The wording of paragraph 5.10.17 of PPW gives planning authorities the option to safeguard primary coal resources should they wish to do so and on this basis we have no additional comments to make.

Yours faithfully

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