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For the attention of: Planning Policy Team

Burnley Borough Council

[By email: localplan@burnley.gov.uk]

11th June 2025

Dear Planning Policy Team

Re: Worsthorne with Hurstwood Neighbourhood Development Plan

Thank you for your notification of the 12th May 2025 seeking the views of the Coal Authority on the above.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero. As a statutory consultee, the Coal Authority has a duty to respond to planning applications and development plans in order to protect the public and the environment in mining areas.

Our records indicate that within the Neighbourhood Plan area there are recorded coal mining features present at surface and shallow depth including; mine entries, coal workings and reported surface hazards. These features may pose a potential risk to surface stability and public safety.

It is noted however that the Plan does not propose to allocate any new sites for development and on this basis the Planning team at the Coal Authority have no specific comments to make won this document.

Yours faithfully



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