

CAMPAIGNERS AGAINST TWO SILICA SITES | SHOULDHAM AND MARHAM

TAKE ACTION OBJECT March 2019

INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

Campaigners Against Two Silica Sites (CATSS) are a volunteer action group fighting hard to stop two proposed sites from being granted planning permission.

Below is all you need to know about how to get involved in our campaign and object to the proposed plans Sibelco and the Norfolk County Council have to create the largest Silica Sand extraction quarry in the UK.

The first site (SIL 02) is a vast area of land between Marham and Shouldham Warren (Wembley Stadium will fit into the area 97 times!!).

This is a 'Preferred Area' meaning, Sibelco have already drilled and found silica sand.

If planning is granted it will devastate the countryside, increase noise, pollution, with an increase in HGV traffic affecting our villages.
Destruction of ancient footpaths, bridleways, endanger wildlife, destroy woodlands and have a massive impact on health and wellbeing.

There is also the 'small detail' of piping the sand to Leziate for processing. The impact of laying a pipeline can only mean more devastation.

The second site (AOS E) is equally massive and puts Shouldham Warren under threat. This well loved natural playground used recreationally by hundreds of walkers, cyclists, runners, horse riders, families, nature lovers is an 'Area of Search'; which means the site is a possible area where silica sand 'might' be located. Turning the Warren into a quarry would be a travesty. Shouldham Village infrastructure could be badly affected with increased HCV traffic flow, noise pollution and negative health risks.

CATSS want both sites removed from the Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan.

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THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING
OBJECTIONS FOR BOTH SITES ARE LOOMING.
THE NEXT CHANCE THE PUBLIC HAVE TO
OPPOSE THESE SITES IS
MARCH 2019.



HOW TO OBJECT

It is critical you send your objection as an INDIVIDUAL and not as a family (or it will only count as one objection instead of two or more).

To object you can send your views / objections by:

Email to: LDF@norfolk.gov.uk (Caroline Jeffrey, Principle Planner)

Submit them online:

https://norfolk.jdi-consult.net/localplan

Post: Norfolk County Council County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NRI 2DH

Please clearly state the names of both sites you are objecting to - SIL 02 and AOS E. We are encouraging as many people as possible to object and express how they feel about these quarry plans. Only by uniting together do we have a chance of stopping these dreadful proposals.

If any residents require help with their objection, please let us know through the contact means below.

CONTACT

CATSS Action Group norfolkcatss@gmail.com

Marham:

Councillor: Chris Child Tel: 01760 444112 Councillor: Inga Barrett Tel: 01760 338140

Shouldham:

Councillor: Geoff Hipperson 07774 170696

DEBATE

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Sign the petition;

https://bit.ly/2Qghw2s Updates: www.norfolkcatss.co.uk

KEY DATES

Please join our peaceful protest gathering on SUNDAY 17th MARCH (St. Patricks Day) 2019 for 10am meeting at Shouldham Warren car park, to collectively show our opposition to these proposals. Walkers, runners, riders, twitchers, families, cyclists... everyone is welcome.

Further dates to note

- Preferred options consultation (March/April 2019)
- Pre-submission publication (November/December 2019)
- Submission to the Secretary of State (February 2020)
- Examination (May 2020)
- Adoption (December 2020)

Information clinics

If you require any help with your objection, seek information or just wish to chat through concerns. Then come along to one of the following clinic dates, from 1pm - 3pm:

Marham Village Hall Sat 30th March Shouldham Village Hall Sun 31st March

WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/NORFOLKCATSS

PICTURE THIS

Shouldham Pit

Sibelco have stated they would start quarrying in the South West corner of SIL 02 right next to the Warren. As this first quarry fills with water it will start to look like the Bawsey water pits. Attracting the groups who caused the antisocial behaviour at Bawsey (raves, fights, drugs, drinking, litter) to come to 'our' water pit'. How will they get here and where will they park? The obvious answer is to come through Shouldham and park in the south east side of the Warren, just a hop, skip and a jump away from where the water pit would be. So the Warren and Shouldham would become the new Bawsey for decades.



What if Sibelco don't get the landowners on board to be able to lay a pipeline to pump the slurry between the quarry and Leziate (their preferred option)? What could they do? How would they transport the sand? Build a 'temporary' processing plant on site, as they plan to do at Rudheath in Cheshire (also wet dredged). The only way to move the sand is by HGV. The estimated number of HGV movements per day would be 400+ to move that amount of sand to Leziate. Let that sink in - 400+ HGVs every working day for 20 plus years through Narborough / Fincham.

Warren Island

The Warren is removed from AOS E and 'protected' by a 250 m buffer zone around it, 'Hurrah' we all cry! But wait a minute - what if then the area surrounding the Warren is allowed to become a quarry with wet dredging? The Warren now becomes an island in the middle of a quarry. We cannot let this become a reality.



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Quarry, Leziate @Wilson-Low



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