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To Whom it May Concern



**PUBLIC EXHIBITION – SAND AND GRAVEL EXTRACTION AND RESTORATION
PROPOSALS, BARHAM QUARRY, SANDY LANE, BARHAM, IPSWICH, IP6 0PT**

I am writing to share details of a proposal for an extension at Barham Quarry, that will ensure a continued supply of local sand and gravel for built development and regeneration in the surrounding area.

Geological investigations have confirmed that a field adjacent to the active Brett Barham Quarry contains sand and gravel of a quality suitable for a range of construction needs. Our proposal is to extend the quarry to incorporate the field, whilst using existing infrastructure. Processing of sand and gravel extracted at Barham Quarry would not take place on site, this would occur at Brett Shrublands Quarry on the Norwich Road using existing plant at that location.

The next step is to apply for planning permission which we hope to submit towards the end of this year. We have already sought the county planning department's opinion as to the nature of the environmental assessments that will be required so that they can consider a planning application. These assessments are currently being progressed.

Before submitting the planning application and finalising our designs, we would like to consult with the local community and key stakeholders such as yourself to help shape the plans. We would like to invite you to our pre-application consultation taking place over the next few weeks as we are keen to give you the opportunity to share your views, raise any questions, and help us to understand local priorities. The events are taking place at:

St Mary and St Peter's Church, Church Lane, Claydon, Barham, Ipswich, IP6 0PT at the following times and dates:

- 11am – 8pm Thursday 16 October and
- 11am – 8pm Thursday 23 October 2025.

At these sessions we will display our plans, explain how the proposed extension and progressive restoration would work, and most importantly, listen to your feedback and answer any questions. From Thursday 16 October the information displayed at the public exhibitions will also be available at www.brett.co.uk/news

You can email us directly at planningdepartment@brett.co.uk should you have any questions, and we will ensure all feedback is carefully considered.

Yours sincerely

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Director of Planning



Summary of the Proposed Development

Brett is preparing to submit a planning application for the extraction of sand and gravel from an extension area to our existing Barham Quarry. The timescale for the development would be over a period of up to 8 years, with an additional 2 years for completion of the final restoration of the site.

Our proposals comprise of:

- Extraction of sand and gravel from a field of around 12 hectares of agricultural land directly adjacent to our existing Barham Quarry through established quarrying methods.
- Workings to be phased to support progressive restoration using a combination of on-site materials (including soils) and imported inert restoration materials.
- An extraction period of up to 8 years with a further 2 years to return the land to an agricultural landscape with Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) enhancements.
- Retention of the existing access onto Sandy Lane. No new access arrangements are proposed, and a full traffic impact assessment will be provided as a part of the application.
- No processing operations are proposed at Barham Quarry. Processing would continue at Brett Shrublands Quarry on the Norwich Road using existing plant at that location.
- Regular monitoring will take place to ensure environmental management measures, including noise, traffic movements and dust are working effectively.
- Sand and gravel from Barham would provide essential resources to meet Suffolk's construction needs.

Location Plan

