

WENSLEY QUARRY

Update on Section 73 planning application (ref: NY/2025/0024/ENV)

Wensley Quarry is a long-established limestone quarry which is accessed via Scarth Nick road. It has been extracting limestone for generations and plays an important role in supplying 20 to 30% of the county's limestone.

Earlier in the year, we submitted a Section 73 application to update our planning conditions to ensure we are meeting modern standards, agree detailed working plans for the next phases and extend the end date of the quarry until 2053 to enable us to extract the remaining limestone. We already have planning consent to extract mineral in Phases 4-6 of the quarry and are not seeking consent to work any additional areas.

Following initial consultation responses, we have made the decision to withdraw the application to allow us to fully consider the feedback received with plans to resubmit in early 2026.

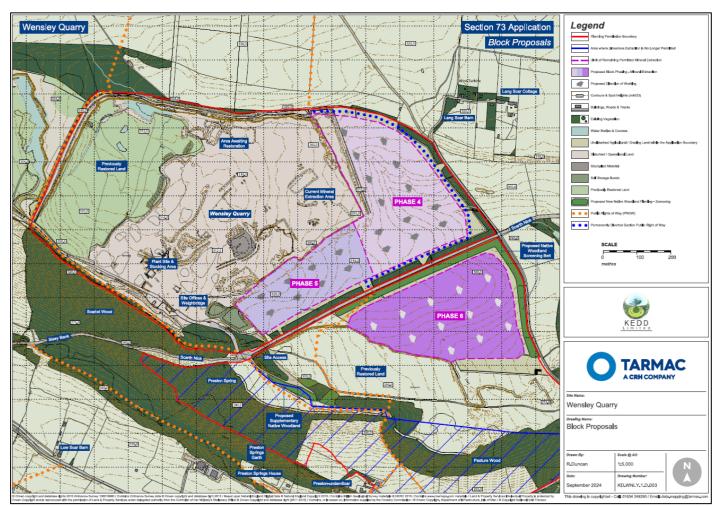


Image: Wensley Quarry Block Proposals Plan that was submitted as part of the application earlier in the year

We are currently undertaking additional technical studies and reviewing the concerns raised to inform a revised application, which we are hoping to submit early next year. Following feedback from the local community we are also reviewing our complaints procedure and hope to have the new procedure in place in the next few weeks.

We will hold a public consultation to explain our proposals in detail prior to submitting the revised application. This will include a website and a public drop-in session, which will provide further details of the proposed plans and technical assessments.

We look forward to engaging with residents at the public consultation, but for any queries in the meantime, please contact us via wensleyquarry@tarmac.com or 020 3617 6359.