

200 Lichfield Lane Mansfield Nottinghamshire NG18 4RG

T: 01623 637119

E: planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk

BY EMAIL: <u>planning.policy@rotherham.gov.uk</u> Planning Policy Team Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council

14 October 2201

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you for your notification received on the 13 September 2021 in respect of the above consultation.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy. 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 identified Neighbourhood Plan area there are recorded coal mining features at surface and shallow depth including; 2 mine entries, coal workings and extraction of coal by surface mining methods. These features pose a potential risk to surface stability and public safety.

It does not appear that the Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan proposes to allocate any sites for future development and on this basis we have no specific comments to make.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this further.

Yours faithfully

Melanie Lindsley Melanie Lindsley BA (Hons), DipEH, DipURP, MA, PGCentUD, PGCentSP, MRTPI Development Team Leader (Planning)

> Making a **better future** for people and the environment **in mining areas**



Making a **better future** for people and the environment **in mining areas**