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Consultation on Historic Scotland Guidance Notes – Managing Change in the Historic Environment

The Confederation of UK Coal Producers (CoalPro) represents member companies who produce over 90% of UK coal output. CoalPro is pleased to be able to respond to this consultation but considers that only the guidance note on Setting is relevant for mineral operations in general and coal production in particular. The responses to the consultation document set out below only apply, therefore, to the guidance note on Setting.

1. Background

As a trade association representing applicants. It is recognised that coal production sites can have an effect on the setting of historic structures and places.

2. Content of Guidance Notes

The guidance notes are clear and consistent but contain only one short paragraph on mitigation. Mitigation measures are important to enable development to take place whilst minimising the adverse effects on setting. In particular, imaginative restoration schemes following surface coal extraction, which is relatively short term, can result in an overall enhancement to the setting of historic structure and places. CoalPro therefore considers that there should be more emphasis on mitigation and that specific mitigation strategies should be explored with examples.

3. Layout of Guidance Notes

CoalPro considers that the notes are easy to read and accessible. However, if images of mitigation techniques were also included, the overall effect would be beneficial.

4. Future Guidance Notes

CoalPro has no comment to make.

Regards

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