



2023 Aggregate Minerals Survey for Great Britain (Form B)

Overview

Closes 1 May 2024

Opened 4 Mar 2024

Aggregate mineral sites granted or refused planning permission and the numbers of planning applications withdrawn during the period 2020 to 2023

This collection will be for planning application data from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2023. Information for planning applications decided or withdrawn between these dates should be entered in the survey form along with any applications awaiting decision as at 31 December 2023. However, if you have no data to report you should still check the box for 'no data to report', so that we know you have submitted a nil return.

This form should be completed by Planning Authority and Mineral Planning Authority officers unless you have already agreed to have the Aggregate Working Party Secretaries complete your forms.

Please note, you will need to complete and submit this form for each planning application decided or withdrawn from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2023. For example, if three applications were decided or withdrawn in this period, the form will need to be completed and submitted three times.

Please note, this platform does not provide the option to go back to a previous page once you have moved on to the next. Therefore it is important that you are sure that data provided is correct before moving on to the next page (otherwise you will need to restart the whole form). You will, however, be able to save and come back to the survey, returning to the page you left off at by selecting 'save and come back later' at the bottom of each page.

Where possible, please provide information if known. You will be notified on the form if the fields are mandatory as there will be a red asterisk.

Whilst there is no statutory requirement to complete this form, in England and Wales we have always had very high levels of participation from Mineral Planning Authorities and this has helped to ensure that the resulting Aggregate Minerals Survey report can provide useful and accurate information for Government, industry and also for local authorities planning for minerals in their own areas. Although this is the first time Scotland has participated in a national survey, the 2019 Aggregate Minerals Survey for Scotland had an equally high response rate from Planning Authorities.

Contact

If you have any queries related to the data to be supplied or definitions and specific aggregate guidance, please contact Don Cameron at the British Geological Survey by e-mail (AMSurvey@bgs.ac.uk) or alternatively on 0115 936 3489 (Tuesday – Thursday).

Contact

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Privacy

About this data collection

The personal information you provide will not be included in the Aggregate Minerals Survey Report 2023. Information provided in response to this data collection may, however, be published or disclosed in accordance with the access to information regimes that the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) and British Geological Survey are bound by. These are primarily the Freedom of Information Act 2002 (FOIA), the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 and UK data protection legislation. In certain circumstances this may therefore include personal data when required by law.

If you want the information that you provide to be treated as confidential, please be aware that, as a public authority, the Department is bound by the information access regimes and may therefore be obliged to disclose all or some of the information you provide. If we receive a request for disclosure of the information we will take full account of any commercial confidentiality of information, but we cannot give an assurance that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances. An automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system will not, of itself, be regarded as binding on the Department.

DLUHC will at all times process your personal data in accordance with UK data protection legislation and in the majority of circumstances this will mean that your personal data will not be disclosed to third parties. A full privacy notice is included below.

Personal Data Privacy Notice

The following is to explain your rights and give you the information you are entitled to under UK data protection legislation.

Note that this section only refers to your personal data (your name, email address, and anything that could be used to identify you personally) and not the content of your response to the survey.

1. *The identity and contact details of the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) and our Data Protection Officer*

DLUHC is the data controller. The Data Protection Officer can be contacted at 'dataprotection.levellingup.gov.uk'

2. *What personal data we are collecting and why*

Your personal data is being collected as an essential part of the data collection for the Aggregate Minerals Survey 2023, so that we and the British Geological Survey (the Aggregate Minerals Survey provider) can contact you regarding your response and for statistical purposes. We may also use it to contact you about related matters.

The following personal data is being collected for this purpose: name, email address, telephone number.

3. Lawful basis for processing the data

The data protection legislation sets out when we are lawfully allowed to process your data. The lawful basis that applies to this processing is that it is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest, in this case, the preparation of the Aggregate Minerals Survey 2023.

4. With whom we will be sharing the data

The data you provide will be shared with the British Geological Survey (the Aggregate Minerals Survey provider).

5. How long we will keep your personal data, or criteria used to determine the retention period

The Department will retain your data until the survey results are published, and no later than March 2025. The data will be shared with the British Geological Survey (the Aggregate Minerals Survey provider), who will only retain an anonymised and collated copy of the data once the analysis of data is complete and the final results of the Aggregate Minerals Survey 2023 have been published.

6. Your rights, e.g. access, rectification, erasure

The data we are collecting is your personal data, and you have rights that affect what happens to it. You have the right to:

- a. know that we are using your personal data
- b. see what data we have about you
- c. ask to have your data corrected, and to ask how we check the information is accurate
- d. Complain to the ICO (see contact information below)

In some circumstances you may also have the right to withdraw your consent to us using your data, to have all data about you deleted, or to object to particularly types of processing of your data. We will tell you when these rights apply.

7. Sending data overseas

Your personal data will not be sent overseas.

8. Automated decision making

We will not use your data for any automated decision making.

9. Storage, security and data management

Your personal data will be stored in a secure government IT system.

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10. Complaints and more information

When we ask for information, we will keep to the law, including the Data Protection Act 2018 and General Data Protection Regulation.

If you are unhappy with the way the Department has acted, you can make a complaint.

If you are not happy with how we are using your personal data, you should first contact dataprotection@levellingup.gov.uk.

If you are still not happy, or for independent advice about data protection, privacy and data sharing, you can contact:

The Information Commissioner's Office

Wycliffe House

Water Lane

Wilmslow, Cheshire,

SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545 745

<https://ico.org.uk/>

Delib privacy information

Delib's software (this website) enables organisations to set up and operate activities, through which they can engage with you.

This site is managed by the controlling organisation, Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities. When you access and use this site, the personal information you have submitted to these activities will go to the organisation. Delib will not access your personal information unless requested to do so by the organisation, and only for the purposes of assisting them with the administration of this site.

1. Please confirm you have read and agree to the privacy notice

☐ Tick the box to confirm (Required)

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Personal Information

2. Name

(Required)

3. Email address

(Required)

4. Telephone number

(Required)

5. Name of Planning Authority or Mineral Planning Authority

(Required)

-- Please Select --

6. Do you have data to report on?

(Required)

- ☐ Yes - data to report
- ☐ No - NIL return

Guidance Notes

If you do not have any data to report, please select 'No - NIL return' and then click 'continue'. This will take you to the penultimate page of the survey where you should then click 'submit response' to complete the survey.

If you do have data to report, please select 'Yes - data to report' and then click 'continue' to be taken to the next page of the survey.

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Site Application Details

7. Planning application reference

(Required)

Guidance Notes

Planning Application Reference - the number the application has been given when validated. Remember this relates to applications determined or withdrawn between 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2023 only, or those awaiting a decision on 31 December 2023.

8. Site name

(Required)

9. Alternate name by which site is known (if applicable)

10. Site address (excluding postcode)

(Required)

11. Site postcode

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12. Site type

(Required)

Guidance Notes

Excludes changes in permission for an increase in output and/or extension of time where these do not lead to an increase/decrease in reserves.

- Extension - A site granted permission for the extraction of aggregate minerals for which there has been a change in the size (laterally or vertically) of the development from the original planning consent. Exclude changes in permission for an increase in output and / or extension of time where these do not lead to an increase / decrease in reserves.
- Borrow Pit - A site for the extraction of aggregate minerals over a limited period, for exclusive use in a specific construction project, which will usually be close to or contiguous with the site.
- New quarry (excluding Borrow Pit) - A totally new mineral operation.
- Dormant site - A Dormant site is defined in the Environment Act 1995 (for Scotland, as reenacted in the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997) as a mineral site where no mineral development has taken place to any substantial extent in, on, or under the site at any time in the period 22nd February 1982 and 6th June 1995. It is unlawful to carry out mineral working on a dormant site until full modern planning conditions have been approved by the relevant Mineral Planning Authority or Planning Authority.

13. Application status

(Required)

Guidance Notes

- Granted by Mineral/Planning Authority - only include permissions here where all legal agreements are signed and are not the subject of legal challenge or appeal.
- Granted on appeal - sites approved following an appeal decision.
- Refused by the MPA/PA - do not include applications which are subject of an unresolved appeal.
- Refused at appeal - sites refused following an appeal decision.
- Withdrawn - only include sites where a formal application was made and then withdrawn. If the application has been re-submitted, enter those details relevant for the status of the re-submitted application (i.e. approved, refused or awaiting decision).
- Awaiting decision - this is for sites where an application has been validated and no decision has been reached by the local authority by the 31 December 2023 or where there is an outstanding appeal/legal challenge or where the application has approval from the mineral/planning authority but is awaiting signing of S106 (for England and Wales) or S75 (for Scotland) agreements.

14. Year of decision

-- Please Select --

Guidance Notes

This will only need to be completed for applications with a decision to grant and refuse as filled in for application status. A decision date should not be included where applications are awaiting decision, as defined in application status above.

The date should be the date on the decision notice. For applications which were the subject of an appeal, the appeal decision letter date should be included here (see above for definitions of granted and refused for application status).

15. Month of decision

-- Please Select --

16. Year permission expires

-- Please Select --

17. Expiration details further explanation

Guidance Notes

Whilst this may be straightforward for many applications, a text box has been included if you need to provide more detail. For example, if the extraction period in the permission ends on a specific date but then there are a further number of years for restoration, enter the date the extraction ends and add a note in the text box about the overall permission including restoration.

18. Grid Reference

Please provide either:

National Grid Reference - (2 digit code) (3 digit easting) (3 digit northing) of centre site
e.g. NG 456 789.

Or

GIS Grid Reference - (6 digit easting) (6 digit northing)

(Required)

Guidance Notes

The grid reference should be for the centre of the application site.

19. Environmental sensitivity details

- ☐ NP (National Park)
- ☐ AONB (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) [Wales]/National Landscape (formerly Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) [England]
- ☐ NSA (National Scenic Area - Scotland)
- ☐ SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest)
- ☐ SPA/SAC (Special Protection Area/Special Area of Conservation)
- ☐ GB (Green Belt)
- ☐ NNR (National Nature Reserve)

Guidance Notes

Indicate if the area for extraction within the planning application is wholly or partly within the listed designation.

A site may fall within more than one designation e.g. AONB and SSSI, and SSSI and SPA/SAC.

- NP - National Parks are designated under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949. Their aims are to conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage they contain, and to promote opportunities and enjoyment by the public of the areas they cover. An independent National Park Authority administers each Park the Norfolk and Suffolk Broads are also administered by their own independent authority and enjoy protection equivalent to that of a National Park. Includes The Broads and The New Forest.
- AONB [Wales]/National Landscape (Formerly known as 'AONB') [England] - designated for conservation due to their significant landscape value by relevant public bodies.
- NSA [Scotland] - National Scenic Areas are designated by NatureScot under Part 10 of the Planning etc. (Scotland) Act 2006 and protect areas of outstanding scenic value in a national context, for which special protection measures are required.
- SSSI - Site of Special Scientific Interest designated by English Nature (now part of Natural England), the Countryside Council for Wales or NatureScot in accordance with the wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 so as to conserve areas of special interest of their flora, fauna, geological or geomorphological interest.
- SPA - Special Protection Areas designated in accordance with European Directive 79/409/EEC, adopted 2nd April 1979, to provide measures to conserve wild birds, their eggs and their habitats. This directive is commonly known as the 'Birds Directive.' SPAs are also SSSIs.
- SAC - Special Area of Conservation designated in accordance with European Directive 92/43/EEC, adopted 21st May 1992, to provide measures to conserve natural habitats and associated wild fauna and flora. The directive is commonly known as the 'Habitats Directive.' SACs, together with SPAs (see below), form part of 'Natura 2000', a European wide network of areas of special nature conservation interest. SACs are also SSSIs.
- GB - Green Belt is an area of land designated in development plans within which the fundamental aim is to prevent urban sprawl by keeping that land permanently.
- NNR - National Nature Reserves are nature reserves included under Part III of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 that are deemed to be of national importance by the relevant national nature conservation body under section 35(1) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act.

20. Is the area of extraction within the planning application wholly or partly within an area allocated for mineral extraction (allocated site, preferred area, area of search) in the Local Planning Authority or Mineral Planning Authority development plan?

-- Please Select --

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Site Application Details - Mineral Type 1

21. Mineral Type 1

-- Please Select --

22. Permitted annual level of production of this mineral type from the site for aggregate uses (tonnes)

23. Permitted annual level of production of this mineral type from the site for non-aggregate uses (tonnes)

24. Proposed production per annum for aggregate uses (tonnes)

25. Proposed production per annum for non-aggregate uses (tonnes)

26. Mineral type 1 proposed production further explanation

27. Reserves for aggregate uses (tonnes)

Guidance Notes

If the site type is a lateral/vertical extension, only include the tonnage of reserves contained within the extension area.

28. Reserves for non-aggregate uses (tonnes)

Guidance Notes

If the site type is a lateral/vertical extension, only include the tonnage of reserves contained within the extension area.

29. Mineral type 1 reserves further explanation

30. Do you have another mineral type to provide data for?

(Required)

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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