

BACKGROUND

The land on which Whitehaven Golf Course is located was a site subjected to major open cast mining during the 1970's and as such any underground workings in the area were removed to extract the coal.

There is a mine shaft indicated on the Ordnance Survey Plans, which was capped off during the opencast operations, and is located North West of the proposed storage shed extension.

Previous Planning Applications submitted and approved on the site relate to:

- a) The original Golf Driving Range circa 2008.
- b) Greenkeepers and Storage Sheds circa 2008-2015 and
- c) Extension to Driving Range 2020.

The ground conditions beneath these buildings when excavated for the foundations, were all found to be on clean well consolidated fill, being on the area of reclaimed land following the open cast working, and as such the foundation designs for each building took account of this at the construction stage and as such mitigated the risk associated with any historic mining activities in the area.

PROPOSED SCHEME

This application is for an extension to an existing storage building to enable additional on site provision for storage of plant and equipment and it is proposed to construct the new extension on similarly designed foundations to the original to be undertaken by a structural engineer.

CONCLUSION

The proposed extension is to be constructed as the original of a steel clad portal framed structure on designed foundations to mitigate the risk of the ground conditions and settlement at this site, and will be addressed with the submission of a Building Regulation Application for the proposed works.

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