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Dear Colleague

Regional Technical Statements for Aggregates 2nd Review

This policy clarification letter rectifies an arithmetical error in Table 5.3 of the Regional Technical Statements for Aggregates 2nd Review. This error affects the apportionment calculations for all authorities in the “Former Gwent” Sub-region and Cardiff and Rhondda Cynon Taff in the Cardiff City Sub-Region.

The arithmetical error concerns the average house completions figure for Torfaen which incorrectly states the figure as 313. The correct figure should have been 174.6. This clarification letter is required to update the figure for Torfaen in Table 5.3 of the Main Report. This in turn requires updating of the apportionment calculations and consequential amendments to various paragraphs in the Main Report and Appendix B South Wales.

The detailed explanation for this clarification is as follows: The house completions figures used in Table 5.3 were transcribed from Table 3.3 in RTS2 (page 21). The figure for Torfaen should have been 174.6 as per Table 3.3 and this figure needs to be used in the revised Table 5.3 for consistency. All other house completions figures in the original table 5.3 are correct but the whole of the revised table is replicated in this letter for purposes of clarity.

To ensure consistency across the RTS 2nd Review and to avoid ambiguity, the amendment to table 5.3 means tables 5.5 and 5.7 in the Main Report and Table B7 in Appendix B South Wales have to be updated, along with references to figures in paragraphs 5.31, 5.32, 5.33 and relevant references to the figures contained in Appendix B.

The overall figure of 5.7mpta for the region does not change and although individual apportionments do change these are considered small in both practical terms and over the timescale of 25 years. In way of a summary, applying these suggestions means the changes will be:

- Torfaen decreased apportionment by 2,700 million tonnes over 25 years.
- Blaenau Gwent increased apportionment by 3,373 tonnes per annum which works out as 0.085 million tonnes more over 25 years

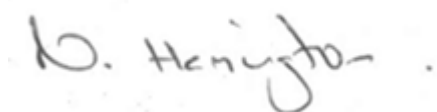
- Monmouthshire increased apportionment by 7,781 tonnes per annum which works out as 0.194 million tonnes move over 25 years
- Newport increased apportionment by 17,955 tonnes per annum which works out as 0.449 million tonnes move over 25 years
- The biggest increases will be for Cardiff and Rhondda Cynon Taff.
- Cardiff increased apportionment by 28,091 tonnes per annum which works out as 0.703 million tonnes more over 25 years.
- Rhondda Cynon Taff increased apportionment by 12,727 tonnes per annum which works out as 0.318 million tonnes more over 25 years.

The changes do not affect the overall approach outlined in the RTS and the methodology remains unchanged and the clarification does not require local authorities to re-endorse the RTS.

In summary, this clarification is limited to the replacement of the original Tables 5.3, 5.5, 5.7 in the Main Report and table B7 in Appendix B South Wales, along with text clarifications in paragraphs 5.31, 5.32 and 5.33 in the Main Report and relevant references to amended figures in Appendix B South Wales. The revised tables are contained in Annex 1 to this letter and the revised text references in Annex 2.

This letter also clarifies an error in the header of Annex A and Annex B which incorrectly states this as the 1st Review, when it should state 2nd Review.

Yours faithfully



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ANNEX 1 Revised Tables

Revised Table 5.3: Assessed Sub-Regional and LPA Apportionments, South Wales.

<i>...table 5.3 continued</i>	Option A			Option B			
	highest of 10-yr and 3yr Ave. Aggregate Sales (total) (mtpa)	% share of Regional total	Resulting Annualised Apportionments for all Land Won Primary Aggregates ¹ (mtpa)	Annualised House Completions over the baseline period (2007 – 2016)	% share of Sub Regional total (or of combined SE Wales total, for Cardiff & Former Gwent)	Resulting Annualised Apportionments for all Land Won Primary Aggregate ² (mtpa)	Preferred Annualised Apportionments (mtpa)
Cardiff City Sub-Region	4.070	43.29%	5.405	2316.9	69.23%	3.972	4.688
Brecon Beacons NP	0.540	5.74%	0.717	133.2	3.98%	0.228	0.368
Merthyr Tydfil	0.150	1.60%	0.199				0.204
Bridgend	0.600	6.38%	0.797	365	10.91%	0.626	0.711
Rhondda Cynon Taff	0.670	7.13%	0.890	373.9	11.17%	0.641	0.765
Vale of Glamorgan	0.660	7.02%	0.876	284.3	8.49%	0.487	0.682
Caerphilly	0.390	4.15%	0.518	335.2	10.02%	0.575	0.546
Cardiff	1.060	11.27%	1.408	825.3	24.66%	1.415	1.411
Former Gwent Sub-Region	0.250	2.66%	0.332	1029.8	30.77%	1.765	1.049
Blaenau Gwent	0.180	1.91%	0.239	99.1	2.96%	0.17	0.204
Monmouthshire	0.070	0.74%	0.093	228.6	6.83%	0.392	0.242
Newport	0.000	0.00%	0.000	527.5	15.76%	0.904	0.452
Torfaen	0.000	0.00%	0.000	174.6	5.22%	0.299	0.15

Revised Table 5.5: Calculation of Allocations Required for Land-won Sand & Gravel Aggregates – South Wales.

Local Planning Authority	Overall 'Preferred' Apportionment (S&G & CR)1 (mt)	Historic proportion supplied from sand & gravel sources	New Annualised Apportionment for sand & gravel	Total Apportionment Required over 25 years	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt	Existing landbank (years)	Surplus or Shortfall (-) of Existing Permitted Reserves (mt)	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision 7 (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 20164 (mt)
Ceredigion	0.460	36.67%	0.188	4.136	0.510	2.7	-3.626	3.626	0
Pembrokeshire	0.677	0%	0	0	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.377	36.36%	0.118	2.600	2.600	22	0.000	0.000	0
Carmarthenshire	1.105	0%	0.003	0.058	0.100	37.7	0.042	see note 8 below Table 5.4 in RTS 2nd Review doc	0.35
Swansea	0.305	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Neath Port Talbot	0.305	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Powys	3.519	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Brecon Beacons NP	0.368	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Merthyr Tydfil	0.204	0%	0.000	0.000					
Bridgend	0.711	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Rhondda Cynon Taff	0.765	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Vale of Glamorgan	0.682	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Caerphilly	0.546	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Cardiff	1.411	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Blaenau Gwent	0.204	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Monmouthshire	0.242	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Newport	0.452	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0
Torfaen	0.150	0%	0.000	0.000	0.000	n/a	0.000	0.000	0

Revised Table 5.7: Calculation of Allocations Required for Crushed Rock Aggregates – South Wales.

Local Planning Authority	Overall 'Preferred' Apportionment (S&G & CR)1 (mt)	Historic proportion supplied from crushed rock sources	New Annualised Apportionment for crushed rock	Total Apportionment Required over 25 years	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt	Existing landbank (years)	Surplus or Shortfall (-) of Existing Permitted Reserves (mt)	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision 7 (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 20164 (mt)
Ceredigion	0.460	63.33%	0.272	6.798	5.370	19.7	-1.428	1.428	0
Pembrokeshire	0.677	100.00%	0.677	16.932	16.720	24.7	-0.212	0.212	0
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.377	63.64%	0.259	6.475	10.370	40	3.895	0.000	0
Carmarthenshire	1.105	99.76%	1.102	27.556	59.900	54.3	32.344	0.000	13.82
Swansea	0.305	n/a	0.305	7.636	0.000	0	-7.636	7.636	0
Neath Port Talbot	0.305	100.00%	0.305	7.636	16.480	54	8.844	0.000	0
Powys	3.519	100.00%	3.519	87.981	139.240	39.6	51.259	0.000	0
Brecon Beacons NP	0.368	100%	0.373	9.325	120.1	211.8	110.775	0	0.36
Merthyr Tydfil	0.204	100%	0.199	4.975					
Bridgend	0.711	100%	0.711	17.775	27.27	39	9.495	0	0.15
Rhondda Cynon Taff	0.765	100%	0.765	19.125	9.83	13.1	-9.295	9.295	0
Vale of Glamorgan	0.682	100%	0.682	17.05	18.73	27.9	1.68	0	13
Caerphilly	0.546	100%	0.546	13.65	31.28	58.5	17.63	0	5.21
Cardiff	1.411	100%	1.411	35.275	27.8	20.1	-7.475	7.475	0
Blaenau Gwent	0.204	100%	0.204	5.1	1.32	6.6	-3.78	3.78	0
Monmouthshire	0.242	100%	0.242	6.05	11.25	47.9	5.2	0	0
Newport	0.452	n/a	0.452	11.3	0	0	-11.3	11.3	0
Torfaen	0.150	n/a	0.15	3.75	0	0	-3.75	3.75	0

Revised Table B7: Apportionments, Reserves and Allocations for Crushed Rock in South Wales. (Appendix B)

Local Planning Authority	New Annualised Apportionment for crushed rock	Total Apportionment Required over 25 years	Existing permitted reserves at end of 2016 in mt	Minimum Allocation needed to meet Required Provision (mt)	Additional reserves at Dormant sites, 20164 (mt)
Ceredigion	0.272	6.798	5.370	1.428	0
Pembrokeshire	0.677	16.932	16.720	0.212	0
Pembrokeshire Coast NP	0.259	6.475	10.370	0.000	0
Carmarthenshire	1.102	27.556	59.900	0.000	13.82
Swansea	0.305	7.636	0.000	7.636	0
Neath Port Talbot	0.305	7.636	16.480	0.000	0
Powys	3.519	87.981	139.240	0.000	0
Brecon Beacons NP	0.368	9.2	120.1	0	0.36
Merthyr Tydfil	0.204	5.1			
Bridgend	0.711	17.775	27.27	0	0.15
Rhondda Cynon Taff	0.765	19.125	9.83	9.295	0
Vale of Glamorgan	0.682	17.05	18.73	0	13
Caerphilly	0.546	13.65	31.28	0	5.21
Cardiff	1.411	35.275	27.8	7.475	0
Blaenau Gwent	0.204	5.1	1.32	3.78	0
Monmouthshire	0.242	6.05	11.25	0	0
Newport	0.452	11.3	0	11.3	0
Torfaen	0.150	3.75	0	3.75	0

Annex 2: Text Clarifications

Main Document

Paragraph 5.31

“For Newport and Torfaen, part of their combined requirement of almost 15.05 million tonnes could *theoretically* be offset by the surplus of almost 5.2 million tonnes in Monmouthshire”

Paragraph 5.32

“In the case of RCT and the Cardiff, the combined shortfall of more than 15.7 mt is dwarfed by the net surplus of more than 120 mt within the Cardiff City sub-region as a whole,..”

Paragraph 5.33

“The remaining LPA facing a shortfall of permitted crushed rock reserves – Blaenau Gwent – falls within the same ‘Former Gwent’ sub-region as Torfaen, Newport and Monmouthshire which, even combined, have a net shortfall of more than 13.6 mt.”

Appendix B South Wales

Blaenau Gwent

Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.204 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Blaenau Gwent, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, are zero for land won sand and gravel and 5.1 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years.

Bridgend

Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.771 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Bridgend, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, are zero for land won sand and gravel and 17.775 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years.

Caerphilly

Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.546 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Caerphilly, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land won sand and gravel and 13.65 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years.

Cardiff

Crushed rock aggregates provision: 1.411 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Cardiff, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document, are zero for land won sand and gravel and 35.275 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years

Merthyr Tydfil/Brecon Beacons National Park

Crushed rock 0.204 million tonnes per year within Merthyr Tydfil and 0.368 million tonnes per year within the National Park until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Merthyr Tydfil and the Brecon Beacons National Park, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land won sand and gravel and 14.3 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years (made up of 4.975 million tonnes in Merthyr Tydfil and 9.325 million tonnes in the National Park).

Monmouthshire

Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.242 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Monmouthshire, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land won sand and gravel and 6.05 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years.

Newport

Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.452 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Newport, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land won sand and gravel and 11.3 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years.

In view of the lack of any existing permitted reserves within Newport, allocations totalling at least 11.3 million tonnes will need to be identified within the LDP.

Rhondda Cynon Taff

Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.765 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Rhondda Cynon Taf, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 19.125 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years.

In view of the shortfall of existing crushed rock reserves within RCT, allocations totalling at least 9.295 million tonnes are required to be identified within the LDP.

Torfaen

Crushed rock aggregates provision: 0.150 million tonnes per year until the end of the Plan period and for 10 years thereafter.

The total apportionments for Torfaen, as calculated in Tables 5.5 and 5.7 of the main document are zero for land-won sand & gravel and 3.75 million tonnes for crushed rock, over 25 years.

In view of the lack of any existing permitted reserves within Torfaen, allocations totalling at least 3.75 million tonnes will need to be identified within the LDP.