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Dear Ms Higgins

**Burley-in-Wharfedale Neighbourhood Plan – Submission**

Thank you for the notification of the 12 June 2017 consulting The Coal Authority on the above NDP.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body which works to protect the public and the environment in coal mining areas. Our statutory role in the planning system is to provide advice about new development in the coalfield areas and also protect coal resources from unnecessary sterilisation by encouraging their extraction, where practical, prior to the permanent surface development commencing.

**COALFIELD**

As you will be aware the Neighbourhood Plan area lies within the current defined coalfield.

According to the Coal Authority Development High Risk Area Plans, there are recorded risks from past coal mining activity in the form of 5 mine entries. The mine entries are recorded as being located in the southern part of the plan area. It

is noted that the Neighbourhood Plan does not propose to allocate sites for future development and therefore the Coal Authority has no specific comments to make. However, should any future allocations in these areas be proposed then consideration will need to be given to the implications on development from these risks to surface stability in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and the City of Bradford Development Plan.

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) please continue to consult The Coal Authority on planning matters using the specific email address of [planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk](mailto:planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk).

The Coal Authority wishes the Neighbourhood Plan team every success with the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Yours sincerely



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