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For the attention of: Mr A. Foote – Case Officer

Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council

[By email: planning@merthyr.gov.uk]

31 May 2024

Dear Mr Foote

Re: Planning application P/23/0065

Outline application for erection of a mixed leisure development comprising Indoor Snow Centre (up to 39,200 sq m), Water park (up to 7,500 sq m), Indoor Activity Centre (up to 9,000 sq m), Outdoor Activity Centre, Hotel Accommodation (up to 418 bedrooms), Woodland Lodge accommodation (up to 30 units), car parking (up to 830 spaces) and associated earthworks, access, drainage, servicing and utilities connections/infrastructure at Land to the South West of the A470/A4102 Roundabout at Rhydyar West, Merthyr Tydfil – FURTHER RECONSULTATION

Thank you for your notification of 23 May 2024 seeking the further views of the Coal Authority on the above planning application.

The Coal Authority response: MATERIAL CONSIDERATION

As you will be aware, the application site lies in the Coal Authority's defined Development High Risk Area. We last commented on the application in our consultation response letter of 8 September 2023. In this letter, we withdrew our objection to the proposal subject to the imposition of relevant conditions on any planning permission granted.

We note that additional information has now been submitted in support of the application, including an Environmental Statement Addendum. We understand that this information relates primarily to ecological matters and note that it does not appear that any changes have been made to the design of the proposed development.

The Coal Authority's Planning & Development Team therefore has **no specific comments** to make regarding the revised and additional supporting information. However, we do consider that our previous comments and recommendations, set out in our letter of 8 September 2023, remain valid and relevant to the decision making process.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me on the above number.

Yours sincerely

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