

## **Section 8: Documents Received at the Hearings**

Aggregate Industries Additional Response:

The Agent of Change Principle: Existing Businesses Should Not Have Unreasonable Restrictions Placed on Them As A Result of Changes in Nearby Land Uses.

Bearing in mind the importance of the safeguarding of minerals and minerals infrastructure within Lancaster District, it is vital that Lancaster City Council integrate the NPPF Agent of Change Principle into their Local Plan to ensure that residential developers take into account the requirements of the Agent of Change Principle at an early stage because it may affect the deliverability and viability of some of the proposed housing allocations such as South Carnforth (SG12).

The London Plan Examination in Public is also being administered with reference to the 2012 NPPF under transitional arrangements but they are integrating the Agent of Change Principle (see attached). Mayor of London response to Inspector's matters for consideration at the EIP and Policy D12).

In order to ensure that the Lancaster Local Plan is sound and NPPF compliant in relation to Paragraph 123 of the 2012 NPPF there is a need for a plan modifications to provide for the "agent of change principle" in similar fashion to London Plan proposed Policy D12.