REASONS FOR REFUSAL

- 1. The application fails to provide evidence that there is a sufficient source of suitable waste material needed to achieve the desired restoration contours within the additional timeframe as sought and is therefore contrary to Policy W4.2 of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan and Policy M4.5 of the Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan. Inadequate information about the rates of infill and void space have also been submitted contrary to the general requirements of Policy W3.1 of the Nottinghamshire and Policy W3.1 of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan.
- 2. The application has not demonstrated there is such a need for the proposed restoration by means of full and complete infilling of the quarry void necessary to outweigh the identified ecological interest/importance of the site and therefore conflicts with policies W3.22 and W3.23 of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan. The proposed tipping works are likely to adversely impact on recorded breeding birds and notable flora and the benefits of a full infill and restoration have not been demonstrated sufficiently to outweigh this impact, such that overall environmental benefits are not demonstrated and therefore is contrary to policies WCS5 and WCS13 of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Core Strategy and the sustainability objectives of the Plan taken as a whole.
- 3. The application does not adequately assess the haulage and traffic impacts associated with the proposed infilling operations cumulatively with the expected increase in general traffic resulting from new large-scale developments in the area. It therefore fails to demonstrate that the associated heavy traffic could be satisfactorily accommodated on the local highway network contrary to policies W3.1 and W3.14 of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan.
- 4. Additional information is required to adequately assess the impacts of potential noise from tipping and haulage operations to residents of the new housing development to the north. The application therefore does not comply with Policy WCS13 of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Core Strategy and Policy W3.1 of the Nottinghamshire Waste Local Plan.