



Our proposals to extend **Grange Top quarry**

We are holding a public exhibition to set out proposals to extend Grange Top quarry and to answer questions about our plans.

Please join us on Thursday,
July 13, 12.00-21.00, at
Ketton Visitors Centre

Ketton Visitors Centre
Ketton cement works
Ketco Avenue
Ketton PE9 3SX

All welcome
Free parking available

Securing our future

Grange Top quarry has been supplying Ketton cement works for nearly 100 years, but its mineral reserves are running out.

That's why we are seeking to extend the quarry's extraction area so we can secure the supply of raw materials and the long-term future of the cement works.

We have identified two areas already in Hanson's ownership – the first is to the north west of the current extraction area at Grange Top, known as Northwest Land, as well as one to the south west, alongside the new Empingham Road, known as Field 14 (see map on front cover). These would provide around 25 years' supply of limestone and clays, with all extracted materials used at our Ketton works to make cement for use in construction.

Cement from Ketton represents around 10%-15% of the UK's annual requirement. It's used in Hanson's own concrete plants or bagged and supplied to builders' merchants. A large proportion also goes by rail to our King's Cross depot in London for use in the construction of many of the capital's major construction projects, including Crossrail. Extending Grange Top will help safeguard over 240 direct jobs and



a similar number of indirect jobs across the quarry and cement works, plus many more in the supply chain. In addition, it will underpin the vital role our operations in Ketton play in supporting the local, regional and national economy.

▲ Grange Top quarry is adjacent to Ketton cement works

The development

Our proposed extension areas form part of the mineral reserves identified by Rutland County Council (RCC) as having the potential to contribute to the county's essential supply of cement. This means we can bring forward our application as both the Northwest Land and Field 14 are already recognised by RCC as areas for future mineral extraction to meet the needs of the construction industry and help drive economic growth.

Our planning application will encompass the proposed extension areas as well as the existing quarry and restoration scheme. Consolidating permissions at Grange Top quarry will allow for a single planning permission with one set of conditions to cover all mineral

extraction operations and restoration schemes going forward.

No changes are proposed to quarry operating hours, which are 07.00 – 19.00 Monday to Friday and 07.00 – 13.00 on Saturdays, nor will we be looking to amend the existing conditions on quarry blasting.

Significantly, our plans include the construction of a new 3km access road northward from the cement works across our site to a new roundabout junction with the A606, to the west of Shacklewell Hollow. Once constructed, all HGVs will use this new route, with 95% of traffic travelling east along the A606 to the A1. This investment will substantially reduce Hanson HGV traffic on the A6121 High Street/Stamford Road passing through Ketton and Tinwell.

Our plans also include a number of new and upgraded public rights of way for recreational use. No changes to the processing facilities at Ketton cement works are proposed as a result of this application.

Environment and restoration

A full environmental impact assessment (EIA) has been carried out to identify potential impacts of our plans and how they can be mitigated. It includes recommendations for a series of measures to minimise the potential impacts of:

- Landscape and visual
- Ecology
- Soil



- Blasting and ground vibration
- Ground and surface water
- Noise
- Dust and air quality
- Traffic
- Archaeology and heritage assets

▲ The final restoration scheme will return the quarry to a mix of agriculture, nature conservation and amenity uses, using only materials derived from the site

Particular attention has been paid to landscape and visual impacts, with our proposed mitigation measures including retaining perimeter hedgerows, screening the new parts of the quarry with 3-5-metre-high landscaped screening bunds to protect views, contain noise and minimise dust.

We'll also work closely with RCC's highways team to ensure that the new site access junction with the A606 meets modern safety requirements and includes suitable screening measures.

The approved quarry restoration scheme for Grange Top remains unchanged and we'll build on our success to date with the proposed scheme for the Northwest Land and Field 14 areas.

Having your say

We hope you can attend our public exhibition on **Thursday, July 13** at our Ketton Visitors Centre (see map below right). Members of our team will be on hand to provide more detail and answer your questions.

More information on our proposals will also be added to our Ketton Community website in the coming weeks. See: www.hanson-communities.co.uk/en/sites/ketton-community-page

Your feedback is important to us and will help us shape our final plans. You can provide feedback at our event, or you can do so via our website. The deadline for responses is **23.59 on August 10, 2023**.

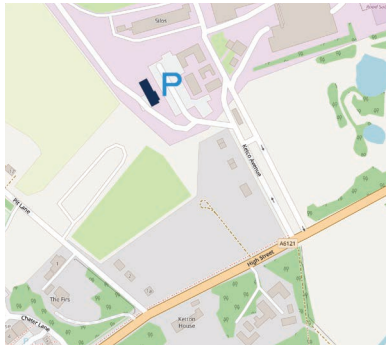
Next Steps

After reviewing the feedback from local people and other stakeholders, we'll finalise our proposals ahead of submitting a full planning application to RCC later this year.

RCC will then consult with statutory bodies and invite comments from local residents before making its decision.

Further information

Visit: www.hanson-communities.co.uk/en/sites/ketton-community-page
or email: kettoncement@hanson.com



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◀ Location of Ketton Visitor Centre, Ketton cement works