



Nant Llesg Surface Mine

Land west of Rhymney, South Wales

Role

Quod is instructed to provide strategic planning advice and (if necessary) expert evidence to support proposals for a surface mine (incorporating land remediation) at Nant Llesg to recover an important resource of Welsh Dry Steam Coal.

The site covers approximately 478 ha of land with an estimated coal reserve of approximately 6 million tonnes. If consented, Nant Llesg would become the most significant coal mine in Wales.

Quod has led on the articulation of the need case for the proposal, which focuses mainly on the need of two of Wales' largest industries, namely the Welsh electricity generating industry represented by RWE UK Ltd at Aberthaw Power Station and the Welsh steel industry represented by Tata UK Ltd at Port Talbot Steel Works.

In providing advice, Quod has drawn on its wider understanding of the Government's growth agenda, the need for energy related development and how this relates to policies to mitigate the effects of climate change.

Quod has also drawn on its good working knowledge of environmental assessment and undertaken a strategic review of the Environmental Impact Assessment, recognising the important role it can play in enhancing a planning case and in shaping the project to ensure environmental effects are controlled and mitigated.

Description

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(incorporating Land Remediation)

Client

Miller Argent (South Wales) Limited

Planning Authority

Caerphilly Country Borough Council

Expertise

Planning	✓
CIL	
Environmental Planning	✓
Development Economics	
Socio-economic	✓
Infrastructure	✓
Strategic Land Promotion	
Regeneration	
CPO	

Project Type

Infrastructure	✓
Major Mixed Use	
Residential	
Retail & Commercial	