

CRAIG FARM ESTATE

THE PROPOSALS

The proposed development would release approximately 650,000 tonnes of sand and gravel which, at an output of approximately 30,000 tonnes per annum would allow the quarry to operate for circa 22 years.

The proposals comprise:

- The stripping of soils and overburden with storage in screening bunds which will help to screen the site, and subsequent reuse in restoration.
- The extraction of sands and gravels from the site using a wheeled loading shovel or excavator and transport via loading shovel / dump truck to a sand and gravel processing plant.
- The processing (washing and screening) of the sand and gravel.
- Stockpiling of processed sand and gravel.
- Loading and despatch of sand and gravel off site.
- Progressive restoration of the quarry.
- New or upgraded access to the public road along with road improvement works on B9002.

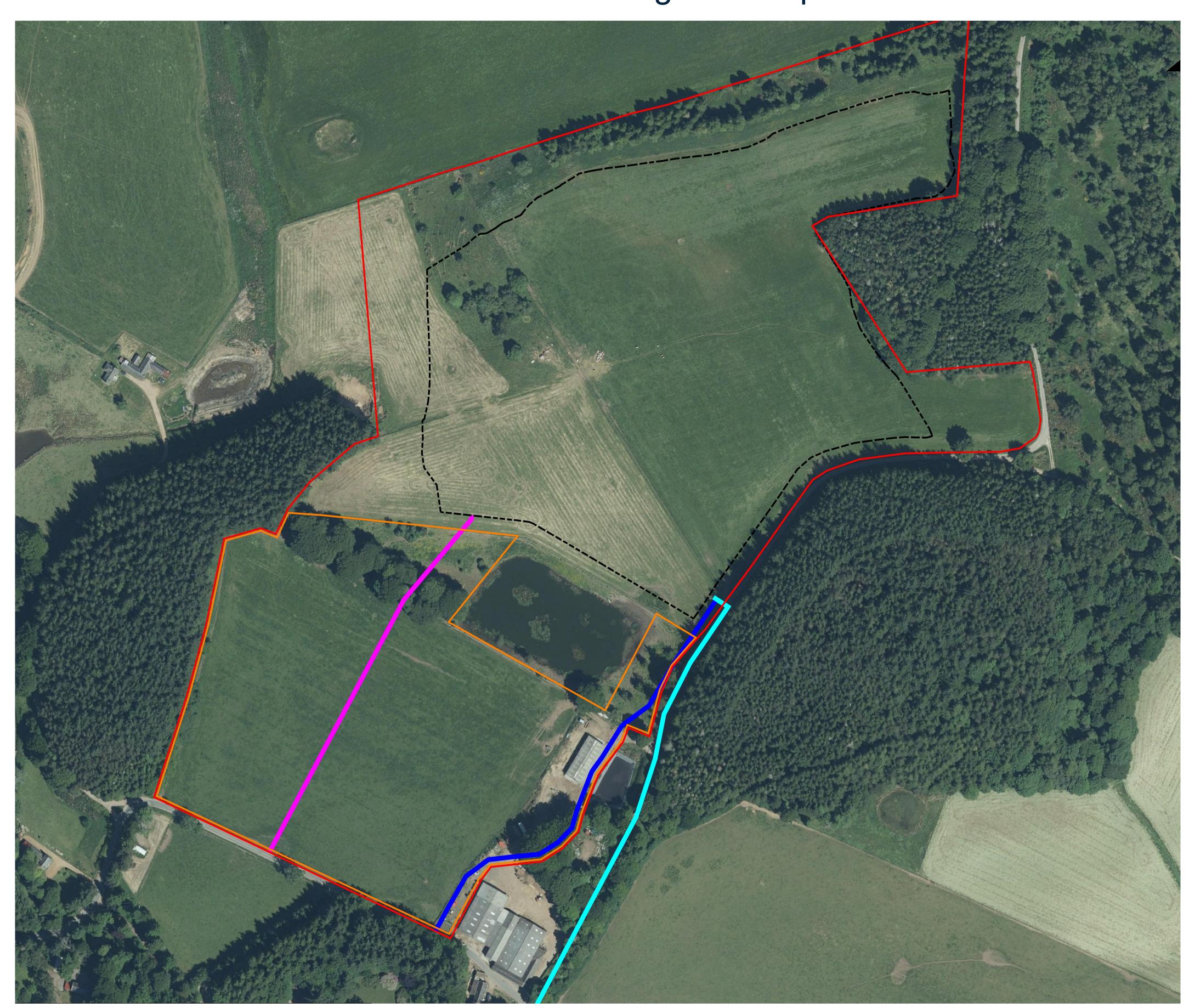
SITE ESTABLISHMENT

The woodland on the northern site boundary will be reinforced with supplementary planting to improve the screening of the development from the North. This planting will infill the existing planting in "pockets" using native species.

The development will commence with the construction of the site access, and infrastructure including the site support area (office & welfare building).

ACCESS OPTIONS

The precise location of the infrastructure and vehicle routing between the quarry and the public road are to be finalised. Three options for vehicular access to the Site are currently under consideration and will be finalised following the completion of assessment works.



Option 1 – A new access road through the field to the South West to link the quarry working area to the B9002.

Option 2 – Use of the existing hardstanding areas adjacent to the farm buildings to link the quarry working area to the B9002.

Option 3 – Use of the U79M Wheedlemont Road to provide access from the proposed quarry working area to the B9002.

