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Planning Statement

Rockface Access for SAGT

For the proposed development

At

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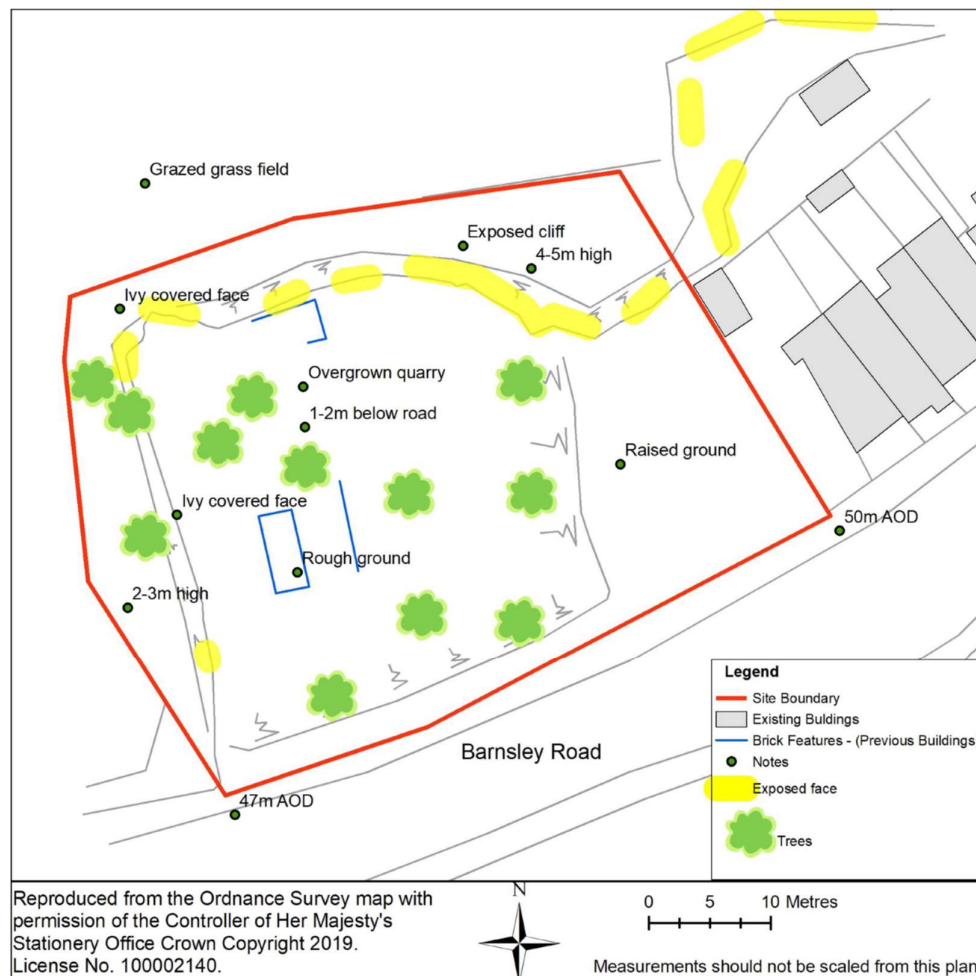


1.0 Introduction

Following the consultation process for Application ref 2023/0453 (the development of the vacant land at Knowles Quarry to be 9 unit Supported Living units) – the response from Sheffield Area Geology Trust (SAGT) and Barnsley Local Geology Sites Panel (BLGSP) requested various procedures be agreed and introduced into the planning approval, to ensure access is available, in line with the RIGS report ref 151094 – RIGS2.

The RIGS report produced in support of the application identified the site as a Regionally Important Geological Site (RIGS). The site description is as below and extract from report.

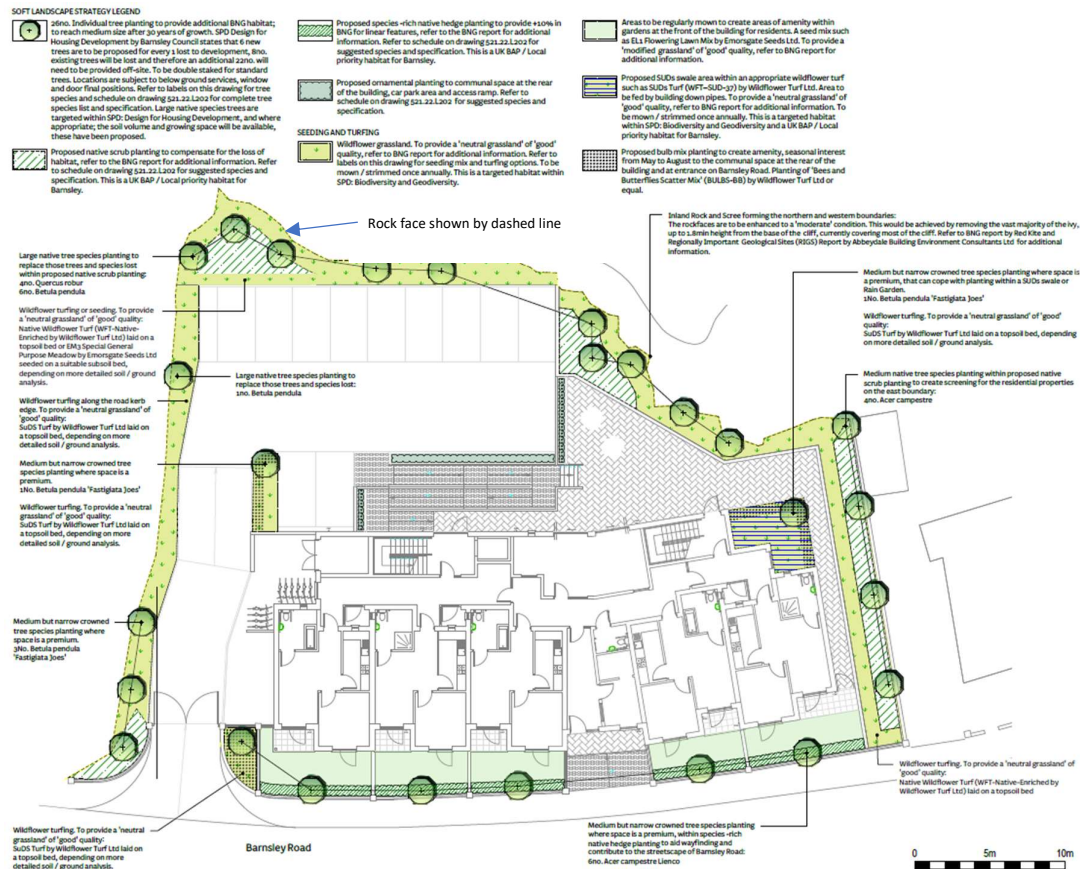
Near vertical quarry faces form the northern and western boundaries of the proposed development. They range from 5m to 7m high along the northern face, reducing to road level along the western side. Whilst good exposures of the rock face are available across the eastern half of the north face, the remaining faces are heavily covered by ivy which was well established and seen growing from both the quarry floor and overhanging from the ground above.





2.0 Landscape proposals

For reference purposes the proposed landscape and biodiversity proposals are found within the following application documents:- Red Kite - Soft Works Strategy plan Rev B , Biodiversity Net Gain Feasibility Report May 24 Rev B , Preliminary Ecological Appraisal Report May 2024.



3.0 Proposed Access arrangements

Methodology for SAGT to access the site to inspect the rock face.

The approved landscape design in the Soft Works Strategy Plan Rev A and the BNG report will be undertaken and a programme of works that illustrates when this will be undertaken, in the first instance, will be provided to SAGT.

In addition, at the stages listed below, during the Construction stage of the project, notification will be made by the contractor/owner or developer, with SAGT, for a SAGT nominated geologist to attend the site for logging of geological aspects and to observe the quarry face.

- 1) Prior to commencement - when the rockface is about to be trimmed/partially cleared of ivy as proposed in the reports above.
- 2) When other de vegetation of the site has been undertaken.



- 3) When the external works package has been complete and the 'mixed scrub' soft margin has been planted around the rock face.
- 4) At practical completion of the works. Contact information for the property owner will be supplied to SAGT so any post completion visits required can be arranged independently.
- 5) SAGT contact is via both the email addresses following:- sageologytrust@gmail.com and rodinia@btinternet.com
- 6) The Planning Condition and RIGS designation will, in the first instance, be verbally communicated to the Owner and site manager and will also written into the As Built documentation, that is left with the property, for any ongoing owners. SAGT will need to be prepared to mention this Condition when visits are arranged.

4.00 Conclusion

The above procedures and notifications should enable the appropriate access for SAGT inspections of this important geological site and the applicant consents to this document being incorporated into a suitable Condition to an approval.