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### **HIGHBARNES CHALK MINE – PROGRESS UPDATE**

Please find attached notes of the latest meeting with The Residents Group that took place on 26 March. These are also available on the Dacorum Borough Council website along with copies of notes of all previous meetings, newsletters and correspondence and can be found at:

<http://www.dacorum.gov.uk/home/planning-development/planning-news/highbarns-chalk-mines>

Since the date of the meeting works have progressed but not as anticipated.

Put simply, the large open parts of the mine have been filled according to plan but the more broken, collapsed ground is requiring far more filling material than was expected. This has meant the contractors have had to spend more time working at those properties where work has already started to ensure that the mine has been completely repaired. The contractors have brought in additional equipment to accelerate progress but it is clear now that the works will not be complete by the end of June. We are now trying to understand the likely impact of these findings for the remaining properties and as soon as the picture becomes clearer I will let you know.

In the meantime please do not hesitate to contact any member of the contractor's staff through the Community Information Centre at Highbarns or contact me directly at the number or address given above or by e-mail.

Yours sincerely

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