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Dear Sir/Madam

**Ellistown and Battleflat Neighbourhood Plan – Submission**

Thank you for the notification of the 27 September 2018 consulting The Coal Authority on the above NDP.

The Coal Authority is a non-departmental public body which works to protect the public and the environment in coal mining areas. Our statutory role in the planning system is to provide advice about new development in the coalfield areas and also protect coal resources from unnecessary sterilisation by encouraging their extraction, where practical, prior to the permanent surface development commencing.

As you will be aware the Neighbourhood Plan area lies within the current defined coalfield.

According to the Coal Authority Development High Risk Area Plans, there are recorded risks from past coal mining activity in the form of 2 mine entries. However, the Neighbourhood Plan does not propose to allocate any sites for future development and therefore we have no specific comments to make.

In accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended) please continue to consult The Coal Authority on planning matters using the specific email address of [planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk](mailto:planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely

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