

ELLINGTON AND LINTON PARISH COUNCIL

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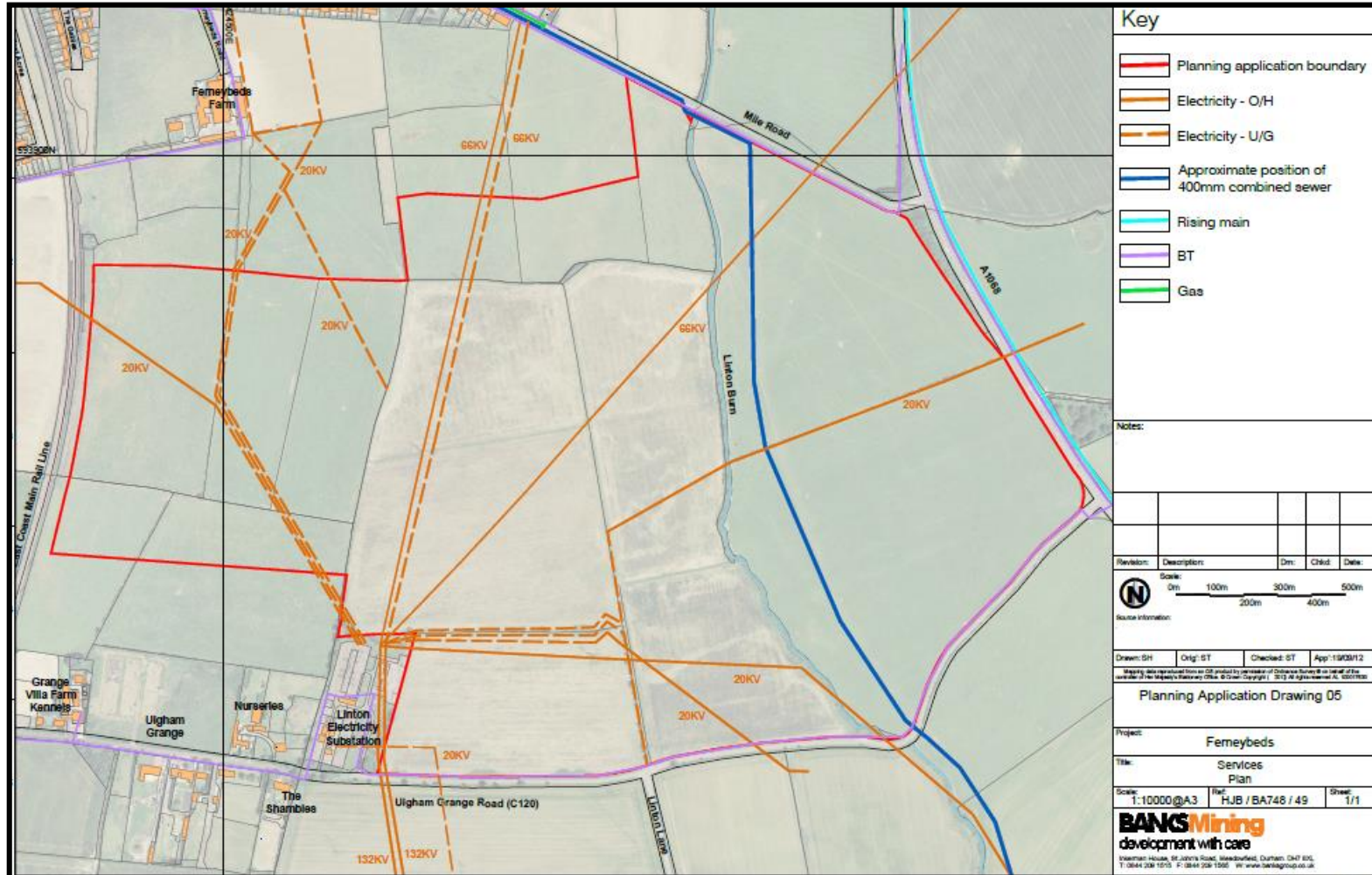
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Ferneybeds

Recent Progress

- Granted planning permission on 2nd April 2013
- Finalisation of planning conditions & Section 106 underway
- Site permits & licenses being sought
- Discussions with service providers are ongoing regarding removal of apparatus
- Aspiration to start site as soon as possible once service diversions are completed

Ferneybeds Services in Site



Other activities in Northumberland

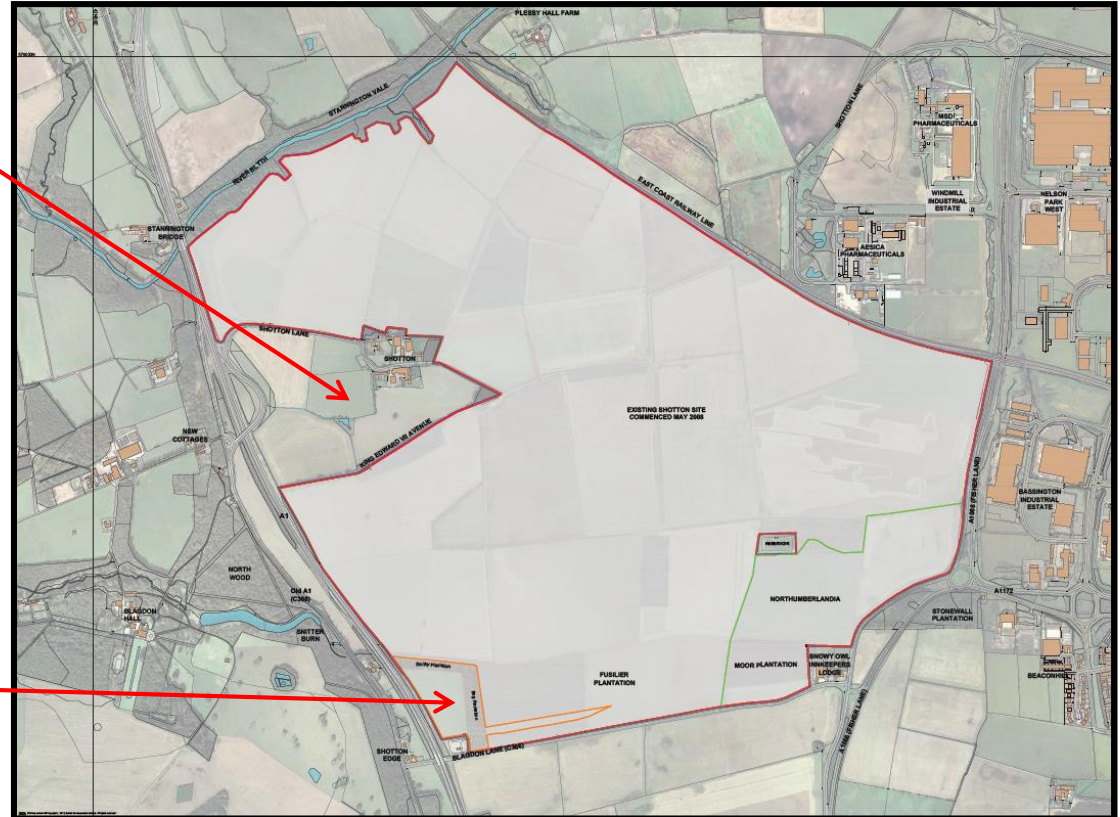
Shotton South West & Shotton Triangle

Shotton Triangle

- 300,000 tonnes of coal
- Application in Dec 2013
- Plan to work in 2017

Shotton South West

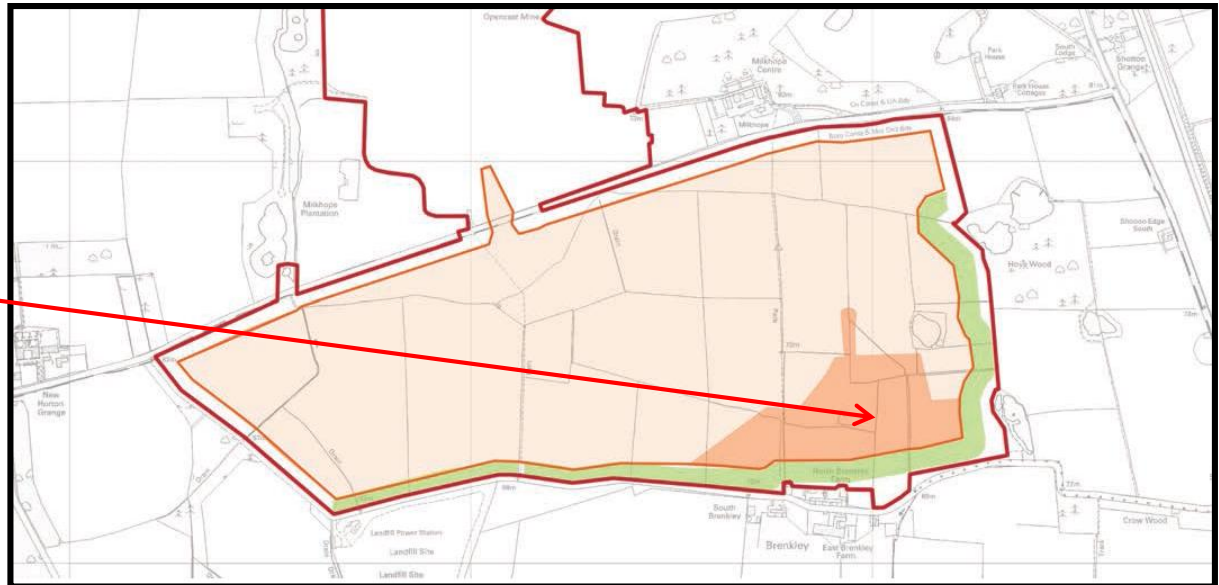
- 250,000 tonnes of coal
- Time extension of 1 year
- Application in June 2013
- Plan to work in 2016



Other activities in Northumberland

Brenkley Additional

- An additional 400,000 to 500,000 tonnes of coal
- No extension of time required
- Restoration by 2021
- Application in Summer 2013



Banks Mining

The current situation

- Over 300 local staff
- £35m spent annually each year including:
 - £16m spent on the local supply chain each year
 - £9.5m spent on wages each year
 - Over £600k of business rates paid in Northumberland each year
- Over £700,000 of grants made by Banks Community Fund to community groups in Northumberland since 2005

The Future: Highthorn



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Potential Benefits

Economic

- Continuation of up to 150 jobs & opportunities for more
- £200 million investment into local supply chain
- Support for tourism industry

Social

- Skills Fund to support training, qualifications and apprenticeships
- Cycling and walking routes around nature areas
- Funding for community facilities and infrastructure

Environmental

- New wetland areas
- Increased habitat areas & enhanced biodiversity
- Recreation of historic landscape & field boundaries

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Who we're working with

“We are excited about the Highthorn project and the potential to attract new people to the area and have new things for people to do when they come and visit.”

Jude Leitch, Northumberland Tourism

“Highthorn has the potential to create a nature park which would enhance and add to what we've already got at Druridge Bay. It could be a place where local people and visitors could come and get close to wildlife and really enjoy that experience whilst adding both to the local economy and to the quality of the whole environment here.”

Mike Pratt, Northumberland Wildlife Trust

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Proposed Programme

- Public Launch: Tuesday 16 July 2013
- Design Development: Now → Summer 2014
- Public Consultation: Now → Summer 2014
- Submission of Planning Application: Autumn 2014

Potential Operational phase (approx. 10 years)

- Start on Site: 2016
- Commencement of Coaling: 2017
- Commencement of Restoration: 2028

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Key Design Principles

- Deliver benefits throughout life of project following 'Restoration First' principle
- Creation of positive legacy for local community & environment
- Protection & enhancement of Druridge Bay's ecological value
- Protection of access & enjoyment of beach at all times
- Maximisation of job opportunities
- Maximisation of mineral resource to prevent further site extensions

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Proposed Consultation

- Comprehensive consultation exercise
- Similar approach to Ferneybeds consultation through:
 - Community Design Workshops
 - Environmental
 - Tourism & Local Business
 - Local Community
 - Youth engagement
 - Weekend events to seek opinions of visitors to the area

Tell us what you think