

PLANNING COMMITTEE

20TH MARCH 2018

AMENDMENT SHEET

ITEM 4

<u>APPLICATION NO:</u> P2014/0729	<u>DATE:</u> 23/07/2014
PROPOSAL:	Application for an extension to and reconfiguration of the underground coal workings; Creation of a mine waste repository with the retention and improvement of the associated haul road (to dispose of mine waste and discard from coal preparation at the mine) and the delivery of further peat habitat mitigation works; Mine Surface development, including - regularisation and time extension of existing mine related operations and mine surface development, consolidation of existing planning permissions and planning controls, construction of infrastructure/buildings, formation of materials storage and stocking areas, drainage works, and landscaping.(Further information received 18/05/15)
LOCATION:	Aberpergwm Colliery, Glynneath, Neath SA11 5SF
APPLICANT:	Energybuild Ltd
TYPE:	Minerals
WARD:	Glynneath

On Page 51 of the report, reference is made to securing Community Benefits in the form of a Community Social Fund available to support local causes, and that the finer details of which will be negotiated post-Committee.

Since publication of the report, discussions have been ongoing, which have confirmed that "Energybuild will make an initial payment of £15,000 to a Fund, with subsequent payments of 10p per tonne of clean coal sold to top up the fund. This figure will be reviewable during the operational life of the scheme."

Although the exact amount is dependent on the production and sale of coal from the site, on this basis if sales go as predicted the scheme would expect to net £25k in year 1 rising to £48k in year 5. These will be secured through the Section 106 agreement.

Members should again note the advice at page 52 that the applicant's willingness to make financial contributions to a community fund is not a material planning consideration and cannot be taken into account in the determination of this application.