11. CHAPTER 11: CULTURAL HERITAGE AND ARCHAEOLOGY (NO UPDATE)

This Chapter of the ESA evaluates the effects of the Amended Proposed Development on Cultural Heritage and Archaeology. This assessment was undertaken by Ecus Limited (Ecus).

The proposed changes would have no impact on the significance of effect on the archaeological resource through the Amended Proposed Development as set out in Volume 1, Chapter 11, Table 11.7 of the ES.

The alteration to extraction order as set out in the phasing plan, and associated change in extraction methodology, enabling the High-Rise extraction to take place at a lower level and be contained behind the existing sandstone lagoon embankments would further mitigate the impacts of the Amended Proposed Development upon the setting of designated heritage assets identified as part of the initial assessment. The changes are not however considered to result in a change to the significance of effect on the setting of designated heritage assets as set out in Volume 1, Chapter 11, Table 11.7 of the ES.

The provision of temporary visual and acoustic screen fencing and/or 2 m high earth embankments to the northern and southern boundaries of the Low-Rise extraction areas would equally further mitigate the impacts of the Amended Proposed Development upon the setting of designated heritage assets identified as part of the initial assessment. The changes are not however considered to result in a change to the significance of effect on the setting of designated heritage assets as set out in Table 11.7 of the ES.

Similarly, the changes to the layout of the Main Processing Site within Area C would be minimal and therefore, there would be no changes to the setting of Sutton-cum-Lound Conservation Area and the cultural heritage assets within it beyond those detailed in Chapter 11 of the ES.