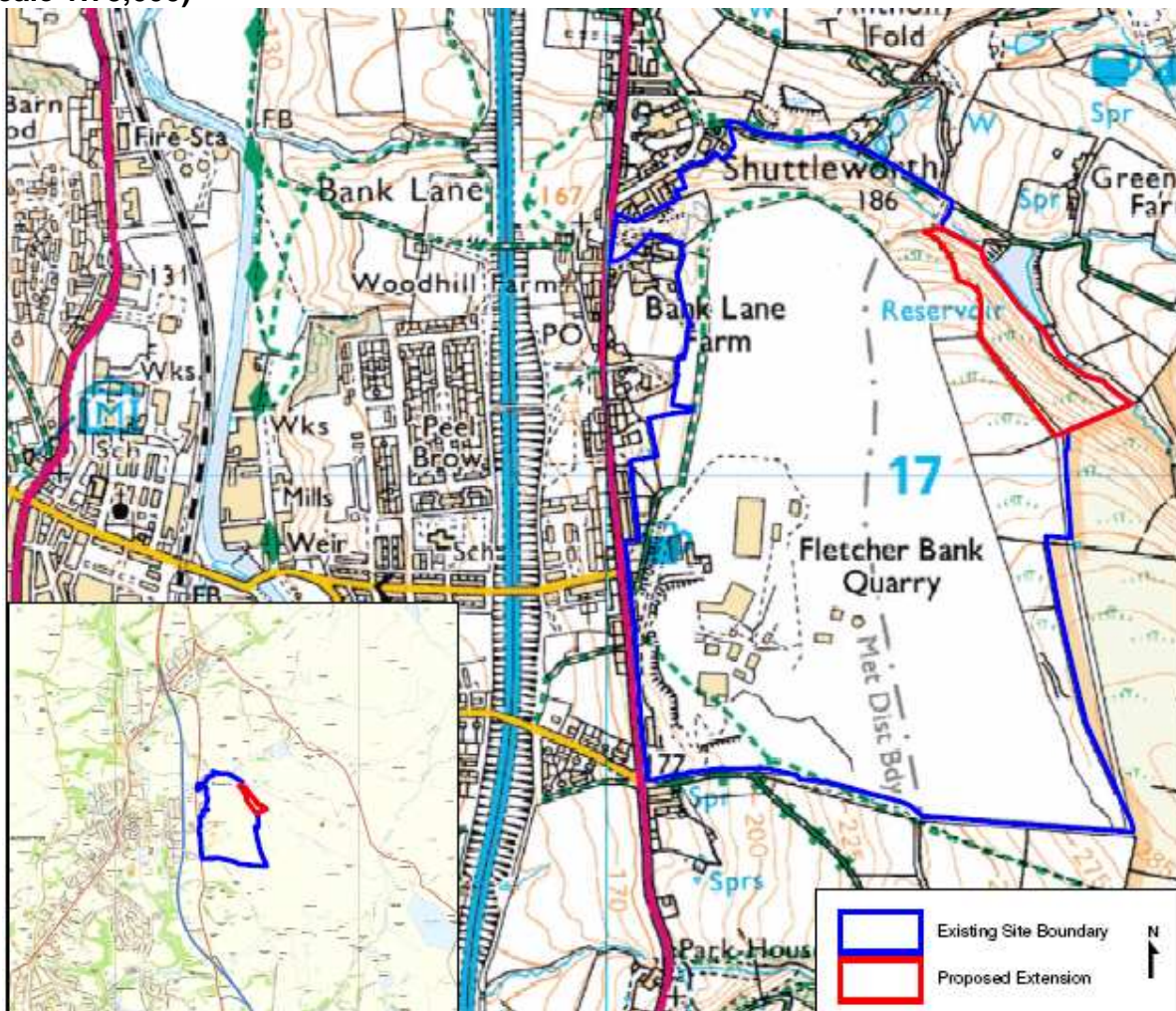


M3 Fletcher Bank Potential Extension

1:10,000 map of site showing site outline over MasterMap base layer (inset map is of scale 1:75,000)



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District	Bury
Location (Ref)	M3 Access provisions to Fletcher Bank
Area	3 hectares extension to existing extraction area (Existing site is 69 hectares)
Source of Site Inclusion	The Peel Group
Indicated Mineral from British Geological Survey	Sandstone – Helmshore Grit
Quantity of workable material indicated by submission	TBC
Site Description	<p>The proposed extension is situated within the boundary of the existing Fletcher Bank Quarry to the north east of the site. Although the extension area is within the current permitted site boundary, a new application would be required to extend the permitted extraction operations into the extension area.</p> <p>The site is situated to the east of Ramsbottom and the M66 motorway, approximately 6km north of Bury Town Centre.</p>

	<p>The existing land use appears to be moorland. Fletcher Bank extraction area is situated to the west of the proposed extension with a reservoir and open moorland being located to the east.</p> <p>The existing and proposed extraction area is within Lancashire County Council, however the access to the site is within Greater Manchester (Bury), hence its inclusion within this Minerals Plan.</p>
<p>Key Issues from Desktop Appraisal</p>	<p>Redisher Wood Local Nature Reserve (LNR) is situated 3.3km south west of the proposed extension.</p> <p>There is an SBI located approximately 1.5km to the south west and west of the proposed extension.</p> <p>There is a Brook and a reservoir to the north east of the proposed extension which may be affected by the extension.</p> <p>There is an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) associated with the M66 motorway which is situated approximately 700m west of the site.</p>
<p>Sustainability Appraisal Outcome</p>	<p>The proposed extension to Fletcher Bank would have a relatively mixed impact on the sustainability objectives. See Sustainability Appraisal for further information – www.gmineralsplan.co.uk .</p>