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I have seen the Gardner Representation produced by Gardner Planning on behalf of OXAGE and fully support the points made.

I am perturbed that OxCC failed to consult parish councils and the public generally when it suddenly increased the LAA (the number of tons of gravel required in the plan) even though it found the resources and time to consult mineral producers towards the end of 2014. The public were deprived of an opportunity to question the flawed methods used and the inflated outcome reached by yet another set of consultants hired at great expense by OxCC.

I understand that the national framework for planning (NPPF) advises using a historical 10-year average of minerals sales when calculating the LAA.

The original LAA proposed by campaign groups from across the county (the Hives report, which used the 10-year average as its basis) was accepted by OxCC in the summer of 2014. This would have meant that there would be no need for new gravel extraction sites in the county for many years. I find it objectionable that OCC then abandoned the 10-year average methodology when it hired its own new set of consultants who produced a much higher LAA that is completely out of step with the 10-year average.

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