
**REPORT OF URGENT ACTION: Consultation –
Application by Cory Environmental Ltd. to Discharge
Trade Effluent in Storm Conditions from Barling
Quarry into a Tributary of the Tidal River Roach**

1 SUMMARY

1.2 This report advises Members of urgent action taken (Minute 254/00).

2 BACKGROUND

2.2 The Water Resources Act 1991 requires the Environment Agency (the Agency) to consult the Council on the above application. The reason for urgency was that a response was required by the 25th May 2001.

2.3 Cory Environmental Ltd applied to the Agency for a licence for the discharge of storm water from the existing mineral washing and silt lagoons and field drainage at Barling Quarry, Barling. This application was for consent to discharge a maximum in any one day of 2000m³ of effluent by way of overflow when the maximum height of the lagoons was reached.

2.4 The Agency advised that Cory Environmental Ltd had an existing consent to discharge up to 4,000 m³/day of effluent from their works as part of the quarrying process.

2.5 The current application was received following investigation by the Agency into a complaint alleging an illegal discharge from the overflow of the lagoons.

2.6 Following consultation with the Chairman, Group Leaders and the Ward Member a response was sent to the Environment Agency.

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