Welcome to our exhibition

Thank you for coming along today to find out more about our proposals for appraisal drilling at the Burniston Mill site. We have lots of information available and members of the team are happy to chat through any questions you might have.

This exhibition is part of a consultation we are carrying out prior to submitting a planning application for appraisal drilling to the mineral planning authority, North Yorkshire Council (NYC). This consultation opened on Monday 16th September and closes on Sunday 13th October. We are intending to submit our planning application before the end of November.

This application will only seek permission for site construction, drilling, testing and then the restoration of the site to its former condition. This work is likely to take around nine months, however the drilling rig is only expected to be on site for 50 days.

The appraisal drilling will tell us if the gas contained in the underground reservoir can be extracted at sufficient rates to make it commercially viable for production. If successful, any production phase would be subject to a separate planning application at a later stage.

We recognise that you might have questions or concerns about this process, and we hope this exhibition helps answer those today. We are committed to working with the local community as this application progresses and we look forward to your feedback.

Your feedback during this consultation will be used to inform our application and help us address any issues you might raise. You will also get the opportunity to comment once the application has been submitted when North Yorkshire Council will launch their own consultation.

