

PARC PENPRYS, LLANELLI (SA14 8BX)

Desktop Mining & Coalfield Statement (PAC Version)

1. Purpose of This Statement

This brief note summarises the historic coal-mining context of the land at **Parc Penprys, Llanelli** and identifies whether any coal-mining legacy risks may need to be considered during the forthcoming **outline planning application**.

The information is based on **desktop-only sources**. A full Coal Mining Risk Assessment (CMRA) will accompany the formal planning submission.

2. Coalfield Location

The site lies within the **South Wales Coalfield**, an area known for historic deep and shallow coal workings dating from the 19th and early 20th centuries.

The wider Llanelli / Llangennech area contains:

- Former deep mines
- Levels and adits
- Engine houses and incline features
- Historic areas of shallow workings

Historic mapping and industrial heritage records indicate that parts of the **Penprys** area were associated with the former **St David's / Penprys Colliery**, abandoned around 1908.

3. Potential Mining Legacy Risks (Desktop Review Only)

Based on local mining history, potential considerations may include:

- **Historic deep workings** beneath parts of the area
- Possible **unrecorded shallow workings** closer to outcrop
- Presence of **former mine entries** (shafts or adits) in the wider Penprys zone
- **Ground stability** considerations common to coalfield areas
- Potential for **mine gas** where historic workings exist

There is **no evidence** at desktop stage of recent activity, opencast mining, or modern coal operations within the site.

4. Need for Further Assessment

The Coal Authority typically requires a **Coal Mining Risk Assessment (CMRA)** where development lies within a coalfield consultation area, to ensure:

- Mine entries are properly mapped
- Any shallow workings are identified
- Ground stability risks are evaluated
- Mitigation or investigation is recommended where needed

A **full CMRA** based on official **Coal Authority records and mapping** will be submitted with the outline planning application.

5. Summary for PAC

- Parc Penprys lies within a historic coal-mining region.
 - No active mining or recent extraction is present.
 - Historic coal workings may exist at depth in the wider area.
 - A **full Coal Mining Risk Assessment** will be provided at outline planning stage in consultation with the **Coal Authority**.
 - No abnormal constraints have been identified at PAC stage.
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6. Conclusion

On a desktop basis, the site is considered **suitable for development in principle**, subject to the completion of a CMRA to confirm and address any legacy mining considerations.