

CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH MINERALS AND WASTE CORE STRATEGY AND PROPOSALS MAP C: MINERAL SAFEGUARDING AREAS & SUPPORTING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS (SPD)

To: Cabinet

Date: 24 May 2011

From: Executive Director: Environment Services

Electoral division(s): All

Forward Plan ref: 2011/025, 2011/026, 2011/027 *Key decision:* Yes - Council decision

Purpose: To consider the Minerals and Waste Core Strategy and Proposals Map C Mineral Safeguarding Areas, and three supporting Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs).

Recommendation: It is recommended that Cabinet:

- a) request that the Council agree to adopt the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Core Strategy (as amended by Planning Inspector J G King); and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Proposals Map C: Mineral Safeguarding Areas
- b) provide any views on the suggested amendments to The Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan and the Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities SPDs; and request that the Council adopt these SPDs
- c) delegate powers to the portfolio holder for Growth, Infrastructure and Strategic Planning, in consultation with the Executive Director Environment Services, to approve the final amendments to the Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities SPD, prior to the SPD being considered for adoption by the Council
- d) endorse the proposed amendments to the RECAP (Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Partnership) Waste Management Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) and agree that it will be subject to a further round of public consultation in autumn 2011

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- e) delegate powers to the portfolio holder for Growth and Planning, in consultation with the Executive Director Environment Services, to approve the final amendments to the RECAP SPD, prior to the second round of public consultation in autumn 2011.**

Please Note:

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Core Strategy that was submitted can be found here (please copy and paste into your browser):

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswaste/framework/mineralswasteplan/pre-submission/documents/Core+Strategy.htm>

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Proposals Map C Mineral Safeguarding Areas can be found here:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswaste/framework/mineralswasteplan/pre-submission/documents/Proposals+Map+and+Site+Profiles.htm>

The Inspector's Report can be found here:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswaste/framework/mineralswasteplan/dpexamination/corestrategy/inspectorsreport.htm>

The draft Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan can be found here:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswaste/framework/blockfen/>

The Block Fen / Langwood Fen Statement of Consultation can be found here:

<http://www2.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/db/council2.nsf/c3cf865e3cc1131380256a6b0037e439/f2fd30281c13830f80257864004f5401?OpenDocument>

The draft Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities Supplementary Planning Document can be found here:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswaste/framework/Location+and+Design+of+Waste+Management+Facilities+SPD.htm>

The Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities Statement of Consultation can be found here:

<http://www2.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/db/council2.nsf/c3cf865e3cc1131380256a6b0037e439/bb9202b834b1e95680257864004f81b5?OpenDocument>

The draft RECAP Waste Management Design Guide can be found here:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswaste/framework/recapwastemanagementdesignguidespd.htm>

The RECAP Statement of Consultation can be found here:
<http://www2.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/db/council2.nsf/c3cf865e3cc1131380256a6b0037e439/d46896192aca5d2e80257864004fce15?OpenDocument>

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The County Council and Peterborough City Council have jointly prepared a new Minerals and Waste Plan under the statutory process prescribed in the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. When adopted this Plan will replace the existing Cambridgeshire Aggregates Local Plan and the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Local Plan.
- 1.2 The Minerals and Waste Plan comprises:
 - Core Strategy: a document setting out the strategic vision and objectives, including strategic allocations, and a suite of development control policies to guide minerals and waste development
 - Site Specific Proposals (SSP): a document setting out site specific proposals for mineral and waste development and supporting site specific policies
 - Proposals Map: Three maps showing the Plans proposals, Map A Mineral and Transport Zones, and Map B Waste (which cannot be adopted until the SSP is adopted), and Map C Mineral Safeguarding Areas (which relate to the Core Strategy)
- 1.3 The Minerals and Waste Plan is supported by Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD), which supplement the policies of the Plan by providing more detailed advice on particular aspects of the Plan. Three SPD have been prepared alongside the Core Strategy, these are:
 - The Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan
 - The Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities
 - The RECAP Waste Management Design Guide

The first two of these SPD have completed the process of public consultation, and can be considered for adoption alongside the 'parent' Core Strategy. The third has been subject to one round of consultation but a further round is required prior to adoption. Once adopted an SPD becomes a material planning consideration which must be taken into account when determining planning applications.
- 1.4 The procedures for preparation of a new Minerals and Waste Plan are prolonged, and have involved lengthy initial stages and significant public involvement. These stages are now complete, and public consultation has taken place at the following stages:
 - two rounds of Issues and Options (June 2005 and January 2006)

- two rounds of Preferred Options (November 2006 and October 2008)
 - two rounds of consultation on additional proposed sites (both early 2009)
- Each round of public consultation has covered a minimum of six weeks.

- 1.5 In October 2009 the County Council and Peterborough City Council both endorsed the Plan as the one they wished to see adopted and submitted it to the Secretary of State, after a further round of public consultation (the Proposed Submission consultation stage) which was held in February / March 2010.
- 1.6 The Core Strategy and Site Specific Proposals documents, the representations received during the Proposed Submission consultation, and the evidence base, was submitted to the Secretary of State in July 2010. This triggered arrangements to be made for an Examination of the Plan by an independent Planning Inspector. The Examination of the two Plans is to be undertaken in sequence as the Core Strategy must be found 'sound' before the Site Specific Proposals are examined.

2.0 EXAMINATION OF THE CORE STRATEGY

- 2.1 The public Examination of the Core Strategy was undertaken by Inspector J G King with Hearing sessions between 30 November and 15 December 2010.
- 2.2 The Inspector published his report on the Plan on 15 March. He concluded that *'the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Core Strategy Development Plan Document provides an appropriate basis for the planning for minerals and waste for the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough area over the next 15 years.'* He recommended that a number of changes be made (most of which were put forward by the Councils in response to points raised and discussions held at the examination), but clarified that these changes do not alter the thrust of the overall strategy. The recommendations in the Inspector's report **are binding on the Councils**.

Minerals Spatial Strategy

- 2.3 The Inspector concluded that the minerals spatial strategy *'emerged from the proper consideration of evidence; that a reasonable range of alternatives was practically considered at the various stages of Plan preparation; that adequate opportunities existed for stakeholders to make representations on the main issues; that the consideration of potential sites introduced realism and practicality to the exercise; and that the process was subject to Sustainability Appraisal.'*

Sand and Gravel

- 2.4 The Core Strategy proposes that provision be made for 3.0 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) of sand and gravel to be provided each year to 2026. A strategic allocation for sand and gravel extraction is made at Block Fen / Langwood Fen, and the following broad locations are identified for future sand and gravel extraction: Block Fen / Langwood Fen, Cottenham, Needingworth, Kings Delph and Wimblington. Other than clarifying that the extraction rates were to be annual averages, the Inspector made no changes to the spatial strategy for the supply of sand and gravel.

Sand and Gravel & Clay Borrowpits

- 2.5 The Core Strategy sets out criteria against which proposals for borrowpits will be considered. It also makes provision for the Site Specific Proposals Plan to allocate potential borrowpits to supply material for the A14 improvements.
- 2.6 By the time of the Examination the Government had decided not to fund the current scheme, principally because it is unaffordable at this time. However, they recognised the economic importance of the A14, and had signalled their intention to explore alternative methods for managing traffic volumes, including potential delivery mechanisms, and have not ruled out future improvements. Consequently the Councils did not withdraw their Plan policies in relation to the A14 borrowpits as it is still anticipated that mineral resources for some form of scheme will be needed at a point within the lifetime of the Plan period (up to 2026). The retention of these proposals did not impact on the overall minerals spatial strategy, as the Plan made it clear that borrowpits proposed for the A14 improvements were for this project only. The Inspector made no recommendations for changing the proposed policy on borrowpits.

Other Minerals

- 2.7 The proposals for other minerals, which identify broad locations for future mineral extraction, were accepted. These relate to brickclay extraction (Kings Delph, Whittlesey); Chalk Marl (Barrington); and Specialist Minerals (Burwell and Wicken). Site specific allocations will be made through the Site Specific Proposals Plan. A criteria based policy for guiding future limestone extraction in the Peterborough area was also accepted.

Strategic Allocation - Block Fen / Langwood Fen & the Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan SPD

- 2.8 The strategic allocation at Block Fen / Langwood Fen area will make a crucial contribution to meeting the objectives of the Plan, and encompasses sand and gravel extraction, inert waste recycling and landfill. The development of these activities will also enable other very important strategic objectives to be achieved in the area, delivering more sustainable flood management in the Cranbrook / Counter Drain area, with creation of a significant amount (around 480 ha) of lowland wet grassland which will enhance the biodiversity bordering Ouse Washes. The proposals for this area will extend to around 2050.
- 2.9 When considering the Core Strategy proposals the Inspector also had the draft Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan. The purpose of this SPD is to provide detailed guidance on the development of this area. The Master Plan provides detail on the following issues:
- the location and phasing of proposed mineral extraction and waste management operations
 - the methodology for the creation of wet lowland grassland
 - the capacity and location of water storage bodies which will be created (taking into account the hydrological regime and the water needs of the lowland wet grassland area)
 - the sustainable use of the high quality soil resource

- the recreational and leisure use of the site
 - the traffic levels and movements of minerals and waste lorries.
- 2.10 The draft SPD was subject to public consultation alongside the Minerals and Waste Plan in February / March 2011. Preparing and consulting on the Plan and SPD simultaneously enabled stakeholders and the Inspector to see how they related. The Inspector had a schedule of representations which had been made on the SPD. These have now been compiled into a Statement of Consultation, which includes Officers suggested responses and changes to the SPD, in response to points raised.
- 2.11 The Inspector recognised that *‘What is proposed [at Block Fen / Langwood Fen] is imaginative and comprehensive in scope. There is no doubt that the benefits sought would be substantial. It is equally certain that they could be achieved only by long-term, large-scale exploitation of the very extensive mineral resource and partial infill, and careful integration of the two through the planning system.’*
- 2.12 The Inspector noted that there is general public acceptance of the strategic allocation, but that local concerns had been expressed about the detailed matters, notably the impact of traffic. He concluded that the proportional increase in HCV traffic *‘is unlikely to have a materially greater effect on the amenity of the residents’*. He noted that the Plan identifies implementation issues to be addressed at the site including:
- the need for consistency with the Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan
 - the evaluation and mitigation of impacts on sensitive receptors
 - the conclusion of binding agreements relating to traffic routeing, backloading and the provision of HCV routes advisory signage
 - the need for ecological, archaeological and hydrological investigation and mitigation.

He concluded that he was *‘satisfied that there are no matters which cannot reasonably be addressed through the consideration of future planning applications’*. No changes were recommended in respect to the extent or nature of the strategic allocations made at Block Fen / Langwood Fen.

Mineral Safeguarding Areas (MSA)

- 2.13 The Government requires (through Mineral Planning Statement 1) the identification of MSA to ensure that workable mineral deposits, as a finite resource, are adequately considered in all land-use planning decisions, and potential resources are not sterilised by other land uses without due consideration. MSAs are required for all minerals including sand and gravel, brick clay, chalk and limestone, and should identify the extent of the resource which is considered to be of current or future economic importance. They are shown on the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Plan Proposals Map C: Mineral Safeguarding Areas.
- 2.14 MSAs carry with them a requirement for consultation with the Minerals Planning Authority (MPA). District Councils will therefore be required to consult the County Council as the MPA on certain development proposals in these Areas. This will ensure that developers and other relevant parties are

aware of the presence of economic and potentially workable mineral resources, and that resources are not needlessly sterilised.

- 2.15 It is important to note that although MSAs are being identified **there is no presumption that land within these areas will be worked for the extraction of minerals.**
- 2.16 In considering MSAs the Inspector amended the policy in the Core Strategy to widen the scope of applications on which the district council must consult the County Council as the MPA. Now only the most minor applications will be outside the consultation process. This change is to make the policy more effective.

Waste Management Spatial Strategy

- 2.17 The waste management spatial strategy seeks to establish a network of waste recycling and recovery facilities across the Plan area. All new strategic development will make provision for permanent waste management; and for temporary recycling facilities during the construction phases. Additional provision is made to address a shortfall in inert landfill and Stable Non-Reactive Hazardous Waste landfill (SNRHW). No new provision is made for non-hazardous landfill, with the exception of that required for land stability; to address potential pollution risk to the environment; or to maintain the viability of SNRHW disposal.
- 2.18 During the course of the examination the Councils clarified the overall quantity of provision that will be made over the period:
- By 2026, the Waste Planning Authorities will make provision for a minimum of:
- 63,000 tonnes per annum of Household Recycling Centre capacity
 - 627,000 tonnes per annum of new recycling capacity (Materials Recycling Facilities / Mixed Recyclables)
 - 10,500 tonnes per annum of in-vessel composting capacity
 - 1.86 million tonnes per annum of inert waste recycling capacity
 - 12.09 million cubic metres of inert landfill void space over the Plan period
 - 14,000 cubic metres per annum of stable non-reactive hazardous waste landfill void space
- 2.19 The Inspector concluded that *'the policies for waste management are justified, effective and consistent with national policy. The strategy as a whole is sound.'* The thrust of the waste management strategy therefore remains unchanged.

Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge

- 2.20 The Core Strategy can only make strategic allocations. The only allocation in addition to those at Block Fen / Langwood Fen is for an Area of Search for a replacement clinical waste facility (energy from waste) at Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge. This was accepted by the Inspector.

Household Recycling Centres (HRC)

- 2.21 The Core Strategy identifies five broad locations for new HRC in Cambridgeshire, to supplement existing provisions, these are:

- Cambridge East
- Cambridge North
- Cambridge South
- March
- Northstowe

The Inspector commented in respect of HRCs *'it is right that the Core Strategy should identify the need in the interests of sustainability and the active involvement of the public in waste management. A single centre to serve the whole of Cambridge would not be appropriate: it would be too remote from a proportion of the population, inhibiting use and requiring longer journeys.'*

Site specific allocations will be taken forward through the Site Specific Proposals Plan.

3.0 LOCATION AND DESIGN OF WASTE MANAGEMENT SPD

- 3.1 This SPD provides additional guidance to that set out in Core Strategy Policy CS24 Design of Sustainable Minerals and Waste Management Facilities of the Core Strategy. This policy states that:

'All proposals for minerals and waste management development will be required to achieve a high standard in their design and mitigation of environmental impacts including climate change.'

Waste management proposals must be consistent with the guidance provided in The Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities (Supplementary Planning Document)'.

- 3.2 This SPD will replace the existing adopted SPD 'The Location and Design of Major Waste Management Facilities' which is tied to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Local Plan 2003. When the new Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Plan supersedes the Waste Local Plan the SPD associated with it also falls away.

- 3.3 There are opportunities through careful design for waste facilities to achieve greater integration with surrounding uses; minimising any visual and adverse operational impacts of development; and maximising sustainability through use of sustainable materials, sustainable drainage and energy efficiency proposals. Design is therefore not simply how a building or facility looks. The purpose of this SPD is to provide guidance on the matters which need to be addressed including:

- siting / layout
- built form
- local distinctiveness and integration
- landscape and boundary treatments
- access, parking and circulation
- lighting
- noise, dust and odour mitigation measures
- energy efficiency, addressing such matters as landform, layout, building orientation, massing and landscaping to minimise energy consumption
- water conservation measures

- sustainable construction, including waste management audits
 - co-location with other facilities
- 3.4 During the public consultation on the SPD the Council received responses from 16 individuals / organisations which raised around 136 representations. These representations have been considered, and together with a suggested response, have been collated into a Statement of Consultation. This includes suggested amendments to the SPD which have been put forward in response to the comments received.
- 3.5 The main issues raised covered the following:
- the need to re-structure, update and expand the section on Other Relevant Documents and include reference to local guidance which may be available from the District / City Councils
 - the need to add key principles in the section on Sustainable Construction
 - the need to update the SPD to reflect the final version of the Minerals and Waste Core Strategy
 - the need to include additional advice on assimilating waste management development in areas which are open, and where additional planting may not be appropriate given local landscape characteristics
- It is suggested that changes be made to the SPD to meet all the points raised above.
- 3.6 The adoption of and The Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities SPD is being considered concurrently by Members of Peterborough City Council. It is possible that they may require additional amendments to the Consultation Statement containing the responses to the representations and the proposed amendments to the SPD. Given this, it is suggested that the best way forward would be to request Cabinet to delegate powers to the portfolio holder Growth, Infrastructure and Strategic Planning, in consultation with the Executive Director Environment Services to approve the final amendments to the SPD, prior to the SPD being considered for adoption by Council in July.

4.0 RECAP Waste Management Design Guide SPD

- 4.1 The RECAP (Recycling for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough) Waste Management Design Guide (the Guide) is intended to support policies of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Core Strategy. The SPD provides advice on the design and provision of waste management infrastructure in residential and commercial developments, including the basis on which developer contributions will be sought for waste management infrastructure. The Guide also includes a toolkit to be used by developers to assist them in addressing waste management requirements as part of their planning applications.
- 4.2 When considering the Core Strategy the Inspector recommended changes to the parent policies of this SPD, policies CS16 Household Recycling Centres and CS28 Waste Minimisation, Re-use and Resource Recovery. He required the policies be flexible with regard to developer contributions to waste management infrastructure, so that they take account of the potential introduction of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) by the district

councils. It is therefore suggested that the RECAP Guide also reflect this change in circumstances, and amendments are being proposed to this effect.

- 4.3 During the public consultation on the draft guide in 2010, 12 consultees responded to the 2010 consultation, and raised 103 detailed points for consideration. These representations have been considered, and together with a suggested response, have been collated into a Statement of Consultation. This includes suggested amendments to the SPD, which have been put forward in response to the comments received.
- 4.4 The most significant concern raised by the responses received related to Household Recycling Centres (HRCs). There was a firm view that there was insufficient information in the Design Guide to explain how the financial contributions to be sought from developers, towards the provision of HRCs, would be calculated in Cambridgeshire. To meet this concern further work has been undertaken by the County Council's Waste Management Service to determine the scale and nature of the developer contributions which will be sought for the upgrading of existing HRCs (Alconbury, Wisbech, Whittlesey and Thriplow) and additional capacity / new HRCs (March, St Neots, Witchford and Cambridge area).
- 4.5 It is proposed that the Guide will set out the rationale for the contributions to be sought, and will include an illustrative formula, see Appendix 1. This shows that contributions will be sought by taking into account factors including the cost of the provision of a new or improved HRC, the catchment area of the HRC, and the number of existing and proposed new households. This information will make the Guide more explicit, and will provide developers and others with the information they were looking for regarding HRC contributions in Cambridgeshire.
- 4.6 These changes being suggested to the SPD are significant, and it is therefore considered necessary to undertake a further round of public consultation on the RECAP Waste Management Design Guide. It is proposed that the next steps in relation to the RECAP Waste Management Design Guide are as follows:

Stage	Timeline
Public consultation on the 2nd draft Design Guide (for 6 weeks)	September / October 2011
Preparation of a Statement of Consultation (summarising responses received and subsequent proposed changes to the Design Guide)	November / December 2011
Formal adoption of the Design Guide	Late 2011 / early 2012

- 4.7 Peterborough City Council is also considering the progress of the RECAP Waste Management Design Guide as it is a joint document. Members will also be asked to approve the amendments to the Guide prior to a further round of public consultation. It is possible they may require additional amendments to

the Guide prior to it going out for a second round of public consultation. Cabinet is therefore being asked to delegate powers to the portfolio holder Growth, Infrastructure and Strategic Planning, in consultation with the Executive Director Environment Services to approve the proposed amendments to the SPD, prior to the second consultation.

- 4.8 Following the second round of consultation any final amendments will be proposed, so the Councils can then consider the adoption of the SPD. It is anticipated that this will take place in late 2011 / early 2012.

5.0 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

- 5.1 The County Council's Development Control Committee considered the Core Strategy and Appendix C; and the supporting SPD on 11 April 2011. The Committee resolved to recommend that the Core Strategy, Proposals Map C, and Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan and The Location and Design of Waste Management SPDs (as proposed to be amended) be adopted by Council; and that the RECAP Design guide be subject to a further round of public consultation in autumn 2011.

6.0 ALIGNMENT WITH PRIORITIES AND WAYS OF WORKING

Supporting and Protecting Vulnerable People When They Need It Most

- 6.1 There are no significant implications for this priority.

Helping People Live Healthy and Independent Lives in their Communities

- 6.2 There are no significant implications for this priority.

Developing the Local Economy for the Benefit of All

- 6.3 Proposals within the Core Strategy will support planned growth across the Plan area. This will give rise to a more healthy economy with job opportunities arising for local people from proposals for new mineral and waste management development. The waste management Guides (SPDs) will ensure design is considered both for waste management facilities, but also in residential and commercial development. The RECAP Guide will provide clear guidance to help developers in bringing forward developments which comply with the Guide, and in securing contributions for new waste management infrastructure.

Ways of Working

- 6.4 The Core Strategy and supporting SPDs have been subject to extensive consultation. They have also been prepared in partnership with Peterborough City Council.

7.0 SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS

Resources and Performance

- 7.1 The Council is committed to the preparation and adoption of the Minerals and waste Plan and supporting SPD. There would be financial risks in not taking the Core Strategy to adoption (see paragraphs 5.5 to 5.6 below). There would also other risks in not adopting the Core Strategy and supporting SPD, as they are necessary to provide up to date and effective land use planning

guidance for the determination of planning applications proposing future mineral and waste management development over the period to 2026. The RECAP Guide is necessary to facilitate contributions to new HRC capacity at existing / new HRC sites, and there would be financial and other risks e.g. service delivery, in not bringing forward the Guide. The guidance in the two design guides takes account of the Council's intention to promote high standards of design and implementation for waste facilities across the County.

Statutory Requirements, Risk and Legal Implications

- 7.2 The County Council has a statutory obligation to prepare a Minerals and Waste Plan, the first part of which is the Core Strategy. The Core Strategy is supported by the Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan, the Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities SPD and the RECAP Waste Management Design Guide. All have been prepared in accordance with the Minerals and Waste Local Development Scheme which was adopted by the County Council in March 2009.

Equality and Diversity Implications

- 7.3 An Equality Impact Assessment was undertaken for the Core Strategy and did not identify any significant implications for equality and diversity. There are no significant implications arising from the SPD.

Engagement and Consultation

- 7.4 The Minerals and Waste Plan and SPDs were subject to public consultation in February/March 2010, and were available for public inspection at council offices, main libraries, the Council's web pages, and manned and unmanned public exhibitions held across the County. The Core Strategy has also been subject to earlier consultation at previous stages in its preparation. Consultation has exceeded that required by Regulations and the Council's Statement of Community involvement.

Financial Implications

- 7.5 The EU Waste Framework Directive requires the UK to have a waste management plan. This will constitute the sum of the waste plans proposed by all waste planning authorities and for those plans to contain specific information. The Government has included in Part 2 of the proposed Localism Bill a power to pass on some or all of any fines from the European Court of Justice to any authority which causes the UK to be in breach of its obligations under the Waste Framework Directive.
- 7.6 In comparison with many other Authorities the County Council and Peterborough City Council have made good and continued progress on their Minerals and Waste Plan. It is anticipated that subject to the Core Strategy being adopted, and subsequently the Site Specific Proposals Plan being found sound and adopted, that the Council will have a new directive compliant Plan in place by early 2012. This will replace the saved Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Local Plan 2003 which may be compliant. The status of the latter will be determined by the Department of Communities and Local

Government. Adoption of the new Plan will minimise any risk of fines being passed on to the Council by Government.

8.0 CONCLUSIONS

- 8.1 The Core Strategy has been found sound by an independent planning Inspector, who has also made some changes to the Plan which are binding on the Councils. The Councils are now able to adopt the Plan, which sets out the vision, spatial strategies and development control policies for minerals and waste management development over the period to 2026. The Councils can also adopt Proposals Map C which will put Mineral Safeguarding Areas in place, thereby ensuring that the relevant Council will be consulted as Mineral Planning Authority on applications which may adversely affect the finite mineral resource of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.
- 8.2 The adoption of the Block Fen / Langwood Fen SPD and The Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities SPD alongside the Core Strategy will ensure that this detailed guidance is in place in a timely manner, and is available to take into account when determining planning applications.
- 8.3 Further consultation on the RECAP SPD will enable this to be taken forward so it can be in place late 2011 / early 2012.

Source Documents	Location
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Core Strategy	http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswasteframework/mineralswasteplan/pre-submission/documents/Core+Strategy.htm
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Core Strategy Inspectors Report	http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswasteframework/mineralswasteplan/dpdxamination/corestrategy/inspectorreport.htm
Draft Block Fen / Langwood Fen Master Plan	http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswasteframework/blockfen/
Draft The Location and Design of Waste Management Facilities Supplementary Planning Document	http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswasteframework/Location+and+Design+of+Waste+Management+Facilities+SPD.htm
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Statement of Community Involvement 2006	http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/applications/submitapplication/supportinfo/cambridgeshirestatementofcommunityinvolvement.htm
Peterborough City Planning Obligations Implementation Scheme SPD February 2010	http://www.peterborough.gov.uk/planning_and_building/s106_planning_agreements.aspx
The draft RECAP Waste Management Design Guide	http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswasteframework/recapwastemanagementdesignguidespd.htm

Methodology for the Calculation of Contributions to Waste Management
Infrastructure in Cambridgeshire - Household Recycling Centres

Any Site		Source
1 sites or site improvement x £x million	= £x million infrastructure costs	Cost per site sourced from independent assessment of site costs.
total catchment households	= y households (all households in catchment e.g. existing and new)	WMT Recycling Centre Catchment Tables Latest CCC Dwelling Figures
new households	= z new households within catchment	Latest Cambridgeshire Housing trajectory figures
Total developer contribution towards Recycling Centre Infrastructure = <u>Infrastructure costs</u> X New households in catchment Total No. households in catchment (e.g. existing and new) $\frac{\text{£x million}}{y}$ X z = £a million Total developer contribution per household = $\frac{\text{£a}}{z}$		

(For full details see the Statement of Consultation, response ref: MWRECAP36 and Tables 8.1, 8.2 and Map1 at the end of the schedule)