



Buckinghamshire County Council Select Committee

Environment, Transport and Locality Services Select Committee

Report to the Environment, Transport and Locality Services Select Committee

Title:	First Consultation for the Replacement Minerals and Waste Local Plan – Status update for Information
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Purpose of Agenda Item

To provide the Committee with a brief status update on the current consultation for the Replacement of Minerals and Waste Local Plan.

A first consultation as part of the preparation of the Replacement Minerals and Waste Local Plan, began on 19th February, and runs until 5pm on 2nd April 2015. This consultation is about the scope of the new Plan, and includes a 'Call for Sites' by which landowners and developers can suggest areas of land for possible allocation in the later stages of the Plan. All Parish, Town, and District Councils within Buckinghamshire are being consulted, as well as many Government bodies, agencies, businesses, and residents who have previously expressed an interest to be involved in similar consultations. The consultation is primarily over the internet by using the following link:

<http://buckscc.objective.co.uk/portal/mw/lp/mwlp>

The supply of minerals and provision of waste management facilities are important planning issues, and enabling public involvement in the development of the new Plan is essential. Waste needs to be subject to 'recovery' processes to obtain materials and energy; while at the same time to build and maintain our urban environment requires thousands of tonnes of aggregate minerals. When the new Plan is adopted then it will sit alongside the Minerals and Waste Core Strategy, and assist the Council in its role as Minerals and Waste Planning Authority. Protecting our environment while supplying the minerals and waste facilities that society needs, are the challenges of the future, and this new Plan will greatly assist the Council in that regard.



The consultation is primarily taking place over the internet, and the consultation document can be accessed by using the following link:

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There are also a number of Background Papers available on the portal to read, which provide further information concerning issues discussed within the consultation document. If anyone has questions about this consultation, then please either email: mineralswastepolicy@buckscc.gov.uk or telephone 01296 383037/383142/382090.

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