

# Minerals & Waste Development Scheme

The County Council's programme for preparation of Minerals & Waste Local Development Documents and the Statement of Community Involvement  
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# 1 Introduction

## Planning Frameworks and Project Plans

- 1.1 Implementing measures contained within the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (the Act) has led to major changes in the process of plan making and development control. These changes include: the cessation of Structure Plans, the creation of statutory Regional Spatial Strategies and the replacement of local plans with a system of Local Development Documents.
- 1.2 This **Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS)** establishes the Wiltshire County Council's (WCC) priorities and programmes for delivering its **Minerals and Waste Development Framework (MWDF)**. The MWDF is the name given to the portfolio of documents which will provide the policy direction for minerals and waste development in Wiltshire and Swindon.
- 1.3 The MWDS is an important project plan explaining how WCC intends to prepare and deliver the policy documents it is required to produce under the Act to replace the existing Minerals and Waste Local Plans<sup>1</sup> (i.e. 'saved' policies and proposals).
- 1.4 These new documents are called Local Development Documents (LDDs) and will comprise two main types:
  - **Development Plan Documents (DPDs)** – which will be subject to independent examination and, with the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) to be prepared by the Regional Planning Body (RPB), will comprise the statutory "**Development Plan**"; and
  - **Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs)** – which will provide further detail of policies and proposals in a DPD but which will not undergo independent examination.
- 1.5 In addition, the MWDF will also contain the WCC's **Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)** which will set out the Authority's policies and proposals for community engagement and consultation in plan making and development control. Other documents will include the **Annual Monitoring Report (AMR)** that will provide commentary on progress made towards meeting the preparatory milestones for LDDs.
- 1.6 The MWDS, is therefore the document that identifies **how** this work will be undertaken, **when** it will be undertaken, and by **whom**. It is, therefore, a crucial element of the Local Development Framework.
- 1.7 The District Councils in Wiltshire are also local planning authorities. Under powers granted by the Act, they will also replace their existing district-wide local plans with new Local Development Documents. Each District Council will publish a Local Development Scheme (the equivalent of our MWDS) explaining their programme of work and the milestones to be met in terms of delivering their Local Development Framework (the equivalent of our MWDF).
- 1.8 In addition, Swindon Borough Council, which is a unitary authority, will produce a Local Development Scheme covering the replacement of the Borough Local Plan and

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<sup>1</sup> The Wiltshire and Swindon Minerals Local Plan, adopted November 2001.  
The Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Local Plan, adopted March 2005.

joint arrangements with the County Council for delivering the jointly prepared Minerals and Waste LDDs.

### **Purpose of the Minerals & Waste Development Scheme**

- 1.9 The MWDS is critical to the successful programme management of the Local Development Framework. In essence, it is a public statement identifying which LDDs will be produced in what order and when, thereby committing the County Council (and by implication its forward plan making partner – Swindon Borough Council) to that programme of work.
- 1.10 It is also the starting point for the community and stakeholders to find out about the status of the County Council's planning policies in respect of minerals or waste planning.
- 1.11 As a result, there are four main roles for the Wiltshire MWDS:-
- **To inform the public about the County Council's LDD programme;**
  - **To establish a commitment to County Council priorities and work programmes for LDDs, in partnership with the Government<sup>2</sup> and the Planning Inspectorate (PINS).**
  - **To provide a programme of work that will allow the preparation of Minerals and Waste LDDs that will satisfy the test of soundness at Examination<sup>3</sup>; and**
  - **In the longer term, to provide a means of programming the review of LDDs.**
- 1.12 The County Council is also responsible for monitoring progress made in preparing its LDDs against the work programme set out in this MWDS. This process will be documented every year in an Annual Monitoring Report (AMR).
- 1.13 The County Council is responsible for ensuring that its programme of LDD preparation meets the minerals and waste development needs of Wiltshire within an appropriate and manageable timescale. The AMR will identify any successes or failures in working towards the programme in this MWDS.
- 1.14 Where irreconcilable difficulties arise in the LDD preparation process there may be a need for the MWDS to be revised to allow for the implications of such difficulties to be properly accounted for and factored into the remaining LDD preparation programme. Any such revisions will be undertaken in consultation with the GOSW and PINS to ensure continued compliance with the relevant legislation governing the preparation of LDDs.

### **Preparing the Minerals & Waste Development Scheme**

- 1.15 Preparatory work on the original Wiltshire MWDS spanned an 18 month period between autumn 2003 and spring 2005. The key dates are listed below:

March 2004: Draft MWDS prepared/ initial discussion of budgets and procurement issues

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<sup>2</sup> The MWDS will be submitted to the Government Office for the South West and approved by the Secretary of State (the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister).

<sup>3</sup> PPS12 states LDDs will be tested for their soundness against a range of procedural, conformity, coherence, consistency and effectiveness criteria (see paragraph 4.24 of PPS 12).

May 2004:	Consultation on draft MWDS with GOSW, the Planning Inspectorate and key stakeholders
June 2004:	Revised Draft MWDS/ confirmation of expected budgets and procurement
July 2004:	Endorsement by Joint Working Party (Wiltshire and Swindon Members)
July 2004:	Approval by Wiltshire Cabinet
September 2004:	Submission to Government (via GOSW and PINS)
April 2005:	Agreement by Government
June 2005:	MWDS brought into effect and published by Wiltshire County Council

### **Revision of the Minerals & Waste Development Scheme**

- 1.16 Although the Wiltshire MWDS was brought into effect in June 2005, concerns regarding the soundness of the programme of LDD preparation were noted in the same year.
- 1.17 A thorough examination of the relevant legislation and guidance regarding the preparation of LDDs by WCC concluded that these concerns were indeed irreconcilable and that to proceed on the basis identified in the existing MWDS would place WCC at risk of producing LDDs that would fail any procedural test of soundness at Examination in Public.
- 1.18 To avoid such a scenario, and the associated resource and budgetary inefficiencies this would incur, WCC began a process of revising the MWDS in Autumn 2005.

### **Partnership with Swindon Borough Council**

- 1.19 The County Council has a partnership with Swindon Borough Council for the preparation of Structure and Local Plans. Such partnerships are encouraged under the 2004 Act (Clause 28). The County and Borough Councils will therefore continue to work together, to prepare LDDs which will replace the Minerals and Waste Local Plans.
- 1.20 A joint working party of members has been active for a number of years, overseeing the preparation of joint Structure and Local Plans by the two authorities. This MWDS has therefore been prepared in full consultation with Swindon Borough Council.

### **Consultation with Key Stakeholders**

- 1.21 During preparation of the original MWDS, the County Council carried out consultation with key stakeholders. Copies of the draft document were sent to over 100 organisations, including GOSW and PINS, District Councils and adjoining LPAs, firms in the waste industry and local councils which have been particularly involved during preparation of the Minerals and Waste Local Plans. This revised draft of the MWDS takes account of the outcomes and recommendations of that original consultation exercise and the initial comments of the GOSW and PINS (October 2005).



## **2 Arrangements for Preparing Local Development Documents**

### **Project Managers**

- 2.1 The project managers for the Minerals and Waste LDDs are the Minerals and Waste Policy Planning Team Leaders at Wiltshire County Council.

### **Internal Partners**

- 2.2 The principal internal partners and stakeholders for the preparation of LDDs will be:-

Wiltshire County Council:

- Strategic Plan Manager
- Team Leader, Countryside Team
- Local Plans and Development Control Manager
- Waste Development Manager
- Waste Contracts Manager
- Transportation and Development Manager
- Manager, Strategic Property Services
- County Archaeologist

Swindon Borough Council:

- Director of Environment and Property
- Nominated SBC staff advising on planning, countryside, transportation, waste management and property matters

### **External Partners**

- 2.3 The principal external partners for preparation of LDDs will be :-

- ODPM and DEFRA (via the Government Office for the South West)
- The Planning Inspectorate
- The South West Regional Planning Body
- Environment Agency
- English Nature
- Countryside Agency
- English Heritage
- South West Regional Aggregates Working Party (SWRAWP) and South West Regional Technical Advisory Body on waste (RTAB)
- Wiltshire's District Councils
- Wiltshire Wildlife Trust
- Members of the Wiltshire & Swindon Minerals Forum and Waste Development Forum (includes local environmental and community / business interest groups, minerals and waste companies, and local councils)

***[Note: The lists set out above are not meant to read as being exhaustive; additional partners will be used as appropriate]***

## Corporate Priorities for Minerals and Waste Planning

2.4 Wiltshire County Council's Performance and Improvement Plan (2004) identifies goals and key priorities, taking into account Best Value, work by the Wiltshire Strategic Board, the views of the public and priorities shared with central government.

2.5 One of Wiltshire's five strategic goals is:

- **"to balance the need for growth with the protection of the environment"**.

Priorities for the next six years include:

- a reduction in the rate of landfill;
- increased recycling; and
- the opening of waste to energy facilities in the County.

Another strategic goal is:

- **"to provide for essential growth whilst protecting the County's heritage and the natural environment"**.

2.6 Reviews of the Minerals and Waste Local Plans (now to be superseded by LDDs) are identified as key actions in pursuit of these goals and priorities.

2.7 Swindon Borough Council's Corporate Plan pursues a number of objectives relevant to minerals and waste planning, under the theme of **"An Environmentally Friendly Place"**. These include:

- a sustainable approach to waste management;
- a high quality, sustainable built environment, including safeguarding the Borough's heritage;
- a high quality, sustainable natural environment, conserving and enhancing the natural heritage and wildlife; and
- more efficient use of resources.

## Resources, Staffing and Budgets

2.8 Staff resources are primarily the Minerals Policy and Waste Planning Policy teams at Wiltshire County Council. Each team consists of a Team Leader, a Senior Planner / Planner and a Planner / Planning Technician. Other internal resources are identified above in paragraph 2.2.

2.9 The MWDS is being prepared in consultation with external partners and other key stakeholders. They have been consulted, partly to make sure that they are aware of the potential call upon their resources in responding to work on LDDs.

2.10 Resources required to complete LDDs will be included in budgets for the Minerals Policy and Waste Planning Policy teams at Wiltshire County Council and for forward planning work at Swindon Borough Council.

2.11 The County Council's Procurement Team have been consulted about the areas of work likely to be handled by external consultants. Normal County Council procurement rules will apply. Contracts have been let to supply facilitation for the

Minerals Forum, the Waste Development Forum, and to carry out Sustainability Appraisals of the Minerals and Waste LDDs. All future contracting matters will be handled in compliance internal procedures and legislation.

- 2.12 A Service Level Agreement is being progressed to clarify the plan-making partnership between the County and Borough Councils. The County and Borough Councils have agreed that the latter will contribute 3% of the production costs of the Minerals Local Development Documents and 22% of the Waste LDDs, excluding staff costs.

### **Constraints, Risk and Contingencies**

- 2.13 The main constraints on preparation of LDDs would be loss of staff or reductions in budget, particularly at Wiltshire County Council. Currently, recruitment and retention of experienced and able staff is difficult for planning departments in general, and the continuing uncertainty about career prospects at County Councils is not making this task any easier.
- 2.14 Currently, the only realistic contingency open to the County Council in the event of staff losses or budget cuts would be to revise its LDD preparation programmes accordingly.

### **Sustainability Appraisal & Strategic Environmental Assessment**

- 2.15 As part of the arrangements for producing the Minerals and Waste LDDs it will be necessary to undertake a process of Sustainability Appraisal incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment to be undertaken, guiding the preparation, revision, submission and adoption of the LDDs.
- 2.16 A combined SEA / SA process will be carried out during the preparation of each group of LDDs (i.e. those LDDs for minerals and those for waste). The main stages will be

1	Issues and Options stages of Core Strategy and Development Control LDDs	Baseline study and scoping report (including consultation on scoping report)
2	Preferred Option	Prediction, analysis of effects, mitigation, appraisal and draft Environmental Report (SEA)/ SA report
3	Draft LDDs for submission	Revised prediction, analysis of effects, mitigation, appraisal and Environmental Report (SEA)/SA report
4	Adoption Process	Report on environmental considerations.



### 3 Saved Policies & the Preparation of Local Development Documents

#### The Minerals & Waste Development Framework and 'Saved' Plans

- 3.1 The following adopted documents, either already adopted or under preparation under the terms of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), will be saved as the Minerals and Waste Development Framework (MWDF)<sup>4</sup>:-

**Wiltshire and Swindon Structure Plan 2011**

*Adopted 2001. To be saved until September 2007, or until replaced by the Regional Spatial Strategy and new LDDs (as appropriate).*

**Wiltshire and Swindon Structure Plan 2016**

*To be saved for a period of three years from Adoption, or until replaced by the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) and new LDDs (as appropriate).*

**The Wiltshire and Swindon Minerals Local Plan**

*Adopted November 2001. To be saved until September 2007, or until replaced by LDDs (as appropriate).*

**The Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Local Plan 2011**

*Adopted March 2005. To be saved until March 2008, or until replaced by LDDs (as appropriate).*

- 3.2 The matrices below outline the Policies in the saved plans to be reviewed and considered for replacement by policies in the Regional Spatial Strategy (prepared by the South West Regional Planning Body) or the Minerals and Waste LDDs.

**Matrix 1 Wiltshire and Swindon Structure Plan 2016**

	<b>Existing Policies</b>	<b>Relevant New Local Development Document (LDD) / Notes</b>
<b>Policies to be deleted</b>	C9 (Special Landscape Areas)	Careful consideration needs to be given to PPS7 in respect of local level designations
<b>Policies to be reviewed and replaced by RSS policies</b>	DP1 to DP12, DP15 to DP16, T1 to T17*, C1 to C8, C10 to C13, HE1 to HE5, HE7, RLT1 to RLT3, RLT5, RLT7 to RLT10, RE1 to RE2, W1 to W4, TE1	n.b. with reference to policies T10 and T11, District and Borough Council Core Strategies and Proposals Maps will need to safeguard road alignments.

<sup>4</sup> Under the 2004 Act, existing development plans are saved for three years unless replaced at an earlier date by new LDDs. The Act also gives the Government powers to allow existing development plans (or parts of these documents) to be saved for longer, where this is appropriate.

<b>Policies to be transferred (without change) to LDDs</b>	None	
<b>Policies to be reviewed and replaced by LDD policies</b>	DP13 (Swindon Rural Buffer); HE6 (Landscape Settings of Historic Towns); RLT4 (Canals – safeguarding); RLT6 (River Thames); MSP1 to MSP8 (Minerals)	District and Borough Council Core Strategies and Proposals Maps and in the absence of RSS the strategic level minerals policies could for the basis of the Minerals Core Strategy LDD, subject to slight amendment.

\* Aspects of Structure Plan Policies for transport (T1 to T17) will also be reflected in the County and Swindon Borough Councils' Local Transport Plans (LTPs).

## Matrix 2 Wiltshire and Swindon Minerals Local Plan

	<b>Existing Policies</b>	<b>Relevant New Local Development Document (LDD) / Notes</b>
<b>Policies to be deleted</b>	None	
<b>Policies to be reviewed and replaced by RSS policies</b>		At this stage it is too early to say what form the RSS policies will finally take. In due course it may be that all the general policies (e.g. Aggregate apportionments, Aggregate/Non-Aggregate landbanks, minerals safeguarding...) of the plan could form part of the RSS.
<b>Policies to be transferred (without change) to LDDs</b>	35  48 to 50  51	Policy 35 relates to the allocation of Preferred Areas for sharp sand and gravel provision. As it stands this policy merits saving on the grounds that Preferred Areas 1, 3, 4 and 6 have not been permitted and therefore ought to be rolled forward as allocations in an Aggregates Site Allocations document (subject to the requirements of SA/SEA).  Policies relating to cement manufacturing and the identification of chalk and clay Preferred Areas can effectively remain unaltered until such time as National policy (MPG 10) is amended and/or stocks of permitted reserves of chalk/clay fall below the minimum 15 year requirement.  The general policy relating to all other non-aggregate minerals (Policy 51) could also be considered for transfer without change (subject to the requirements of SA/SEA).
<b>Policies to be reviewed and replaced by LDD policies</b>	1 – 34, 36 – 47 (& 51)	Minerals Core Strategy, Development Control Policies, Site Specific Allocations and Proposals Map(s).

**Matrix 3 Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Local Plan 2011**

	<b>Existing Policies</b>	<b>Relevant New Local Development Document (LDD) / Notes</b>
<b>Policies to be deleted</b>	None	
<b>Policies to be reviewed and replaced by RSS policies</b>		At this stage it is too early to say what form the RSS policies will take. In due course it may be that all the general policies of the plan could form part of the RSS.
<b>Policies to be transferred (without change) to LDDs</b>	None	
<b>Policies to be reviewed and replaced by LDD policies</b>	Policies 1 to 24	<p>Waste Core Strategy, Development Control Policies, Site Specific Allocations and Proposals Map(s).</p> <p>Whilst the Adopted Waste Local Plan is a relatively recent publication a number of important legislative, policy and guidance changes have taken place since the Waste Local Plan was modified for adoption.</p> <p>To ensure that the emerging waste LDDs remain as up to date as possible and consistent with other relevant plans, policies and programmes, it is considered prudent to make use of the process of LDD preparation and review all policies and proposals contained within the Waste Local Plan.</p> <p>In some cases this may mean only minor changes to update and/ or clarify policy statements and site allocations currently saved. In other cases more fundamental changes will need to be made, for example to account for changes to policy introduced by Government guidance, in particular in PPS 7, PPS 9 and PPS10. such changes will also have implications for the nature of some site allocations, and for future site allocations and development requirements, not least their consideration through the SA/ SEA process.</p>

**Profile of Minerals and Waste Local Development Documents**

3.3 The following questions help to provide a summary profile of the documents to be prepared under this MWDS to create the Minerals LDDs and the Waste LDDs.

### What will the documents be called and what is their purpose?

#### ***Wiltshire and Swindon: Minerals LDDs to 2016<sup>5</sup> and the Wiltshire and Swindon: Waste LDDs to 2021***

1. ***Minerals Core Strategy Development Plan Document (DPD) & Waste Core Strategy DPD:***

These documents will set out the strategic vision, aim(s), objectives and spatial strategy for minerals and waste development in the Plan area up to 2016 and 2021 respectively.

2. ***Minerals Development Control Policies DPD and Waste Development Control DPD:***

These documents will set out the key policies against which minerals planning applications and waste planning applications will be assessed.

3. ***Minerals Site Allocations DPD [& Inset Maps]; Waste Site Allocations DPD [& Inset Maps]:***

These documents will provide detailed identification of the sites allocated for minerals development to 2016, and the sites allocated for waste development to 2021. Proposals may include: preferred sites, preferred areas, areas of search (where applicable), and site specific implementation policies.

4. ***Minerals Insertions and Waste Insertions on the County Proposals Map:***

The proposals maps will provide a spatial expression of all saved minerals policies and proposals and all saved waste policies and proposals along with the relevant land use planning constraints on an Ordnance Survey base map.

### What area will they cover?

Wiltshire (the four District areas of Kennet, North Wiltshire, Salisbury (excluding the area of the County within the New Forest National Park), West Wiltshire and Swindon Borough (Appendix 2)

### What documents will the Minerals and Waste LDDs conform with?

The Minerals Core Strategy LDD and the Waste Core Strategy LDD must accord with the Structure Plan (while still in force) and the regional Spatial Strategy. All other minerals LDDs and waste LDDs will need to conform with the Minerals or Waste Core Strategies (as appropriate).

## **Planned Timetable for Preparing Local Development Documents**

- 3.4 The detailed timetables for preparing Minerals and Waste LDDs are provided in Section 4 of this MWDS and are divided by each document to be prepared. They are provided in the form of flow charts showing the required three Year Project Plan and beyond where relevant, with key milestones highlighted.
- 3.5 A summary timeline outlining the sequence in which the LDDs are programmed to be prepared is provided below. This is supplemented by tables for each of the Minerals and Waste LDDs providing a written summary of the key stages associated with the preparation of that LDD (Tables 1 – 6).

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<sup>5</sup> At this stage the planned horizon date for the Minerals Core Strategy ties in with the Government's revisions to aggregate mineral forecasts (as set in the June 2003 revision to MPG6). This creates a timescale anomaly with the Regional Spatial Strategy's plan period – i.e. 2026. Further guidance will be required from the Government on this matter.



**Table 1 Summary Preparation Timetable for Minerals Core Strategy LDD**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>SA/SEA Outputs</b>	<b>Public Consultation Carried Out?</b>	<b>Regulation</b>
Nov 2005	Issues & Options draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map on consultation	On-going Scoping	8 weeks as per WCC Compact	25
May 2006	Approval of Preferred Options draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map	Yes	-	26
June 2006	Preferred Options draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
June 2006	Preferred Options Core Strategy LDD Regulation 28 Statement Completed	No	No	28
Nov 2006	Final Draft of Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map approved for Submission	Yes	-	28
Dec 2006	Submission of Final Draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map placed on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
Feb 2007	Core Strategy LDD Regulation 31 Statement submitted	No	-	31
April 2007	Pre Examination Meeting	No	-	
May 2007	Formal notification of intention to hold Examination	No	-	34
July - Aug 2007	Examination of final draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map	No		
Dec 2007	Inspectors report (Core Strategy LDD) received	No		
Jan 2008	Inspectors report (Core Strategy LDD) published	No		35
Jan – Feb 2008	Review / Factual Checking of Core Strategy LDD Inspectors report	No		
Mar – June 2008	Modification and Adoption of Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map	Yes		36
<b>Review of LDD</b>	Minerals LDDs will be monitored on an annual basis and reviewed every 5 years or before if required			

**Table 2 Summary Preparation Timetable for Minerals Development Control Policies LDD**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>SA/SEA Outputs</b>	<b>Public Consultation Carried Out?</b>	<b>Regulation</b>
Nov 2005	Issues & Options draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map on consultation	On-going Scoping	8 weeks as per WCC Compact	25
May 2006	Approval of Preferred Options draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map	Yes	-	26
June 2006	Preferred Options draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
June 2006	Preferred Options DC Policies LDD Regulation 28 Statement Completed	No	No	28
Jan 2007	Final Draft of DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map approved for Submission	Yes	-	28
Feb 2007	Submission of Final Draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map placed on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
April 2007	DC Policies LDD Regulation 31 Statement submitted	No	-	31
June 2007	Pre Examination Meeting	No	-	
July 2007	Formal notification of intention to hold Examination	No	-	34
Sept - Oct 2007	Examination of final draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map	No		
Feb 2008	Inspectors report (DC Policies LDD) received	No		
Mar 2008	Inspectors report (DC Policies LDD) published	No		35
Mar - Apr 2008	Review / Factual Checking of DC Policies LDD Inspectors report	No		
May – Aug 2008	Modification and Adoption of DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map	Yes		36
<b>Review of LDD</b>	Minerals LDDs will be monitored on an annual basis and reviewed every 5 years or before if required			

**Table 3 Summary Preparation Timetable for Minerals Site Allocations LDD**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>SA/SEA Outputs</b>	<b>Public Consultation Carried Out?</b>	<b>Regulation</b>
Sept 2006	Issues & Options draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map on consultation	On-going Scoping	8 weeks as per WCC Compact	25
Mar 2007	Approval of Preferred Options draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map	Yes	-	26
April 2007	Preferred Options draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
April 2007	Preferred Options Site Allocations LDD Regulation 28 Statement Completed	No	No	28
Sept 2007	Final Draft of Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map approved for Submission	Yes	-	28
Oct 2007	Submission of Final Draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map placed on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
Dec 2007	Site Allocations LDD Regulation 31 Statement submitted	No	-	31
Feb 2008	Pre Examination Meeting	No	-	
Mar 2008	Formal notification of intention to hold Examination	No	-	34
May – June 2008	Examination of final draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map	No		
Oct 2008	Inspectors report (Site Allocations LDD) received	No		
Nov 2008	Inspectors report (Site Allocations LDD) published	No		35
Nov – Dec 2008	Review / Factual Checking of Site Allocations LDD Inspectors report	No		
Jan – May 2009	Modification and Adoption of Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map	Yes		36
<b>Review of LDD</b>	Minerals LDDs will be monitored on an annual basis and reviewed every 5 years or before if required			

**Table 4 Summary Preparation Timetable for Waste Core Strategy LDD**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>SA/SEA Outputs</b>	<b>Public Consultation Carried Out?</b>	<b>Regulation</b>
Nov 2005	Issues & Options draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map on consultation	On-going Scoping	8 weeks as per WCC Compact	25
May 2006	Approval of Preferred Options draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map	Yes	-	26
June 2006	Preferred Options draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
June 2006	Preferred Options Core Strategy LDD Regulation 28 Statement Completed	No	No	28
Nov 2006	Final Draft of Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map approved for Submission	Yes	-	28
Dec 2006	Submission of Final Draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map placed on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
Feb 2007	Core Strategy LDD Regulation 31 Statement submitted	No	-	31
April 2007	Pre Examination Meeting	No	-	
May 2007	Formal notification of intention to hold Examination	No	-	34
July - Aug 2007	Examination of final draft Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map	No		
Dec 2007	Inspectors report (Core Strategy LDD) received	No		
Jan 2008	Inspectors report (Core Strategy LDD) published	No		35
Jan – Feb 2008	Review / Factual Checking of Core Strategy LDD Inspectors report	No		
Mar – June 2008	Modification and Adoption of Core Strategy LDD & Proposals Map	Yes		36
<b>Review of LDD</b>	Waste LDDs will be monitored on an annual basis and reviewed every 5 years or before if required			

**Table 5 Summary Preparation Timetable for Waste Development Control Policies LDD**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>SA/SEA Outputs</b>	<b>Public Consultation Carried Out?</b>	<b>Regulation</b>
Nov 2005	Issues & Options draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map on consultation	On-going Scoping	8 weeks as per WCC Compact	25
May 2006	Approval of Preferred Options draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map	Yes	-	26
June 2006	Preferred Options draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
June 2006	Preferred Options DC Policies LDD Regulation 28 Statement Completed	No	No	28
Jan 2007	Final Draft of DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map approved for Submission	Yes	-	28
Feb 2007	Submission of Final Draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map placed on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
April 2007	DC Policies LDD Regulation 31 Statement submitted	No	-	31
June 2007	Pre Examination Meeting	No	-	
July 2007	Formal notification of intention to hold Examination	No	-	34
Sept - Oct 2007	Examination of final draft DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map	No		
Feb 2008	Inspectors report (DC Policies LDD) received	No		
Mar 2008	Inspectors report (DC Policies LDD) published	No		35
Mar - Apr 2008	Review / Factual Checking of DC Policies LDD Inspectors report	No		
May – Aug 2008	Modification and Adoption of DC Policies LDD & Proposals Map	Yes		36
<b>Review of LDD</b>	Waste LDDs will be monitored on an annual basis and reviewed every 5 years or before if required			

**Table 6 Summary Preparation Timetable for Waste Site Allocations LDD**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>SA/SEA Outputs</b>	<b>Public Consultation Carried Out?</b>	<b>Regulation</b>
Mar 2006	Issues & Options draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map on consultation	On-going Scoping	8 weeks as per WCC Compact	25
Nov 2006	Approval of Preferred Options draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map	Yes	-	26
Dec 2006	Preferred Options draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
Dec 2006	Preferred Options Site Allocations LDD Regulation 28 Statement Completed	No	No	28
May 2007	Final Draft of Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map approved for Submission	Yes	-	28
June 2007	Submission of Final Draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map placed on public consultation	No	6 weeks as per Regulations	
August 2007	Site Allocations LDD Regulation 31 Statement submitted	No	-	31
Oct 2007	Pre Examination Meeting	No	-	
Nov 2007	Formal notification of intention to hold Examination	No	-	34
Jan – Feb 2008	Public Examination of final draft Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map	No		
June 2008	Inspectors report (Site Allocations LDD) received	No		
July 2008	Inspectors report (Site Allocations LDD) published	No		35
July – Aug 2008	Review / Factual Checking of Site Allocations LDD Inspectors report	No		
Sept – Dec 2008	Modification and Adoption of Site Allocations LDD & Proposals Map	Yes		36
<b>Review of LDD</b>	Waste LDDs will be monitored on an annual basis and reviewed every 5 years or before if required			

## The Statement of Community Involvement

3.6 The County Council is committed to improving community involvement in the minerals and waste planning process. To this end a draft Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) has already been prepared and submitted to the Government for consideration. The Council consider that community involvement and engagement practices will continue to include the use and development of:-

- A Minerals Forum and a Waste Forum principally to carry out informal consultation in the early stages of LDD preparation, through discussions of such matters as key issues, options and sustainability.
- Public consultation at the pre-submission stages on key issues, options and a preferred option
- Formal public consultation at the stage of submission of draft LDDs to ODPM, with objections being recorded individually and reported to the Planning Inspectorate in preparation for examinations.

3.7 The County Council's Draft SCI sets out its proposed policies and standards for consultation and engagement, in accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and the Regulations<sup>6</sup>. At the time of the review of the MWDS the remaining stages of SCI preparation were envisaged to include:

Notification of Intention to hold Examination for the draft SCI:	December 2005
Statement of Community Involvement Examination:	February 2006
Preparation, delivery and submission of Inspectors Report (PINS):	March 2006
Publication and factual checking / review of Inspectors Report:	April 2006
Modified SCI to WCC Cabinet:	May 2006
Modified SCI to WCC Full Council:	June 2006
SCI Adopted:	July 2006

3.8 However, there is a possibility that the Wiltshire SCI may not be considered at Examination in its current format, due to a misinterpretation of regulatory procedures associated with the preparation of LDDs. To ensure that Wiltshire County Council is in a position to manage such an outcome through its MWDS an alternative programme of work has been drawn up based upon a 'worst case' scenario that the current SCI must be withdrawn.

3.9 This worst case scenario will involve the SCI production process being re-run from the Regulation 25 preparation and consultation stages but will seek to build upon experience and work undertaken to date to produce a suitably compliant SCI. The programme of works will be carried out as efficiently and expeditiously as possible and, if such a scenario were to be introduced before the end of 2005, would lead to a likely delay in adopting the SCI for Wiltshire of approximately 10 months from the date outlined above in paragraph 3.7. This alternative work programme is shown in detail in **Appendix E** of this MWDS.

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<sup>6</sup> The Draft SCI can be obtained from the County Council (see contact details on the inside cover of this documents) or can be viewed on the County Council Website ([www.wiltshire.gov.uk/environment/planning](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/environment/planning)).

## **4 Detailed Timetables & Key Milestones for Local Development Documents**

### **Introduction**

- 4.1 As outlined above in Section 3, detailed charts have been prepared for each of the Minerals and Waste LDDs. These have been prepared to show compliance with all regulatory procedures relevant to the preparation of County Minerals and Waste LDDs and highlight those key milestones that indicate the attainment of such compliance.
- 4.2 There are 6 charts in total, one for each of the Minerals and Waste LDDs to be prepared, sequenced as follows:
- Table 7 Detailed Minerals Core Strategy Timetable & Key Milestones
  - Table 8 Detailed Minerals Development Control LDD Timetable & Key Milestones
  - Table 9 Detailed Minerals Site Allocations LDD Timetable & Key Milestones
  - Table 10 Detailed Waste Core Strategy Timetable & Key Milestones
  - Table 11 Detailed Waste Development Control LDD Timetable & Key Milestones
  - Table 12 Detailed Waste Site Allocations LDD Timetable & Key Milestones
- 4.3 Although the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) is also a LDD it has not been included in this section. Details of the remaining work programme for the preparation of the SCI are provided above in Section 3 (paragraphs 3.6 – 3.9).



























## 5 Evidence Base for the Preparation of Local Development Documents

- 5.1 The County Council will require an Evidence Base for the preparation of its Minerals and Waste LDDs. The various information sources, studies and monitoring regimes that will provide key information are shown below.

### Other Relevant Documents

- 5.2 Other relevant documents, besides the sources listed below, are :-

Statements of National policy (e.g. PPGs, PPSs, MPGs, MPSs, Circulars etc) and related guidance on the planning system, including minerals and waste planning;

WCC, SBC and District Council Community Strategies and Corporate Plans;

Technical studies published by such organisations as the ODPM and DEFRA, the Regional Assembly and other LPAs (as appropriate).

### Baseline Studies

- 5.3 The County Council is also required to carry out Strategic Environmental Assessments (SEAs) of its LDDs, to comply with European and National legislation, plus the closely related Sustainability Appraisals (SAs) to comply with national guidance on preparation of LDDs (PPS12, paragraph 3.14 et seq.).
- 5.4 The sources shown below will also be used to compile appropriate Baseline Studies for the SEA/SA process.

For All Local Development Documents	
Data	Sources
Ecological Data	Wiltshire and Swindon Biological Records Centre (WSBRC – data source for Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, English Nature WCC, SBC and SW Regional Observatory) English Nature web-site has data on statutorily designated areas. For allocation sites – Phase 1 Habitat Surveys <sup>7</sup>
Landscape and Countryside Character	Countryside Agency More detailed assessments by County, Borough and Districts
Geology	OS Geological Maps, British Geological Society (BGS) Published sources
Soils	Published Soil Maps and data

<sup>7</sup> Phase 1 Habitat Surveys are not available for all areas. In many cases, site specific data will need to be collected to assess the effects of allocations in LDDs.

	Soil Resources Institute, DEFRA, BGS
Archaeology, Scheduled Monuments and Heritage	Wiltshire Archaeologist English Heritage
Extent of designated and protected areas, plus areas allocated for other forms of development	Local Plans/LDDs prepared by SBC and DCs. Plus, for County Wildlife Sites, GIS data from WSBRC.
Water environment and pollution	DEFRA, Environment Agency, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology, British Geological Society (groundwater) English Nature, Statutory Water and Sewerage Undertakers, Private Borehole data
Traffic levels, road classification, designated lorry routes, road improvements and rail network	WCC and SBC Department for Transport Highways Agency
Air quality and noise	DEFRA and (limited) local authority sites, Site Operator Monitoring Data.
Demographic data	WCC and SBC demographers Census, Other Office of National Statistics sources SW Regional Observatory
Economic and Social Data	WCC and SBC, Census, DTI, SW Regional Observatory, Countryside Agency (rural issues)
Sustainability	Government Quality of Life Counts SW Region Sustainable Development web site UK Climate Impacts Programme (UKCIP)
Public Opinion	Best Value Surveys of Planning Issues Wiltshire Voice Surveys of Public Opinion Borough and District Surveys
<b>For Minerals LDDs</b>	
<b>Data</b>	<b>Sources</b>
Data on minerals production and reserves across the Plan area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WCC/SBC forecasts of minerals requirements ('real need/real supply' scenarios)</li> <li>• WCC/SBC forecasts of reserves – landbank</li> </ul>	Annual Minerals Raised Inquiry (AMRI) data supplied by the minerals industry to the Office for National Statistics annually Aggregates Monitoring (AM) Surveys currently undertaken every four years (next survey end of 2005) South West Regional Aggregates Working Party (SWRAWP) Annual Reports

assessment	
Data on recycling and secondary aggregate production	Various including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ODPM monitoring</li> <li>• RTAB/SWRAWP monitoring</li> <li>• Environment Agency monitoring</li> <li>• Waste LDDs Team monitoring</li> </ul>
Monitoring Regional and inter-regional demand for minerals (principally aggregates)	SWRAWP and RPB (+ working with adjoining Mineral Planning Authorities)
Results of monitoring minerals planning applications and decisions	WCC, SBC, and adjoining authorities (consultation on planning applications of cross boundary significance)
Monitoring LDDs produced in neighbouring authorities	Adjoining authorities
Monitoring targets to be established in the revised LDDs	WCC and SBC
Monitoring targets established in the remaining elements of the 'saved plan'	WCC and SBC
Site Appraisals	WCC and SBC
Sustainability (SEA) Appraisals	WCC and SBC
<b>For Waste LDDs</b>	
<b>Data</b>	<b>Sources</b>
Data on Municipal Waste arisings, transfer, treatment and disposal	WCC (WDA), plus SBC and Districts (WCAs)
Forecasts of waste arisings, treatment and disposal	WCC (WPA and WDA) and SBC, plus national published data and data for SW Region collected for the Regional Assembly and Regional Technical Advisory Body (RTAB)
Data on other waste streams and on waste movements, recovery and pollution controls	Environment Agency, inc Regional Strategic Waste Management Assessments (SWMAs) and data on hazardous waste Statutory Water and Sewerage Undertakers
Regional Waste Strategy and BPEO	Regional Assembly and RTAB
Results of monitoring planning applications and other indicators specified in Waste Local Plan	WCC and SBC

County and Borough Council surveys of remaining void-space at landfill sites and capacity surveys of waste operators	WCC and SBC
Renewable Energy	Regen SW and Renewable Energy Statistics Database (Restats)
Site Appraisals	WCC and SBC
Sustainability (SEA) Appraisals	WCC and SBC

## **6 Annual Monitoring Report and Review of the Minerals & Waste Development Scheme**

- 6.1 The 2004 Act requires the County Council to prepare an Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) covering a period of twelve months commencing on 1<sup>st</sup> April each year and ending on 31<sup>st</sup> March in the following year. This document will:-
- track the preparatory progress of all documents listed in the MWDS;
  - assess whether each document is meeting its preparatory milestones as prescribed within the timetable;
  - identify and comment upon circumstances where such preparatory milestones have not, or are likely not to be met within the monitoring period;
  - identify saved or adopted policies that are not being implemented or are not effective; and
  - if necessary, propose amendments to the MWDS to enable document preparation timetables to be altered, or to include a LDD review programme.
- 6.2 The County Council's first AMR will be submitted to the Secretary of State before the end of December 2005 (as prescribed by Regulation 48) and published on the County Council's website.



## Appendix A Glossary

### **Annual Monitoring Report (AMR)**

A report that principally describes how a Local Planning Authority is performing in terms of meeting the targets and aspirations for LDD preparation as set out in its three year project plan (the Local Development Scheme). If, as a result of monitoring performance, the Authority's Scheme requires modification, the AMR will be used to justify why targets have not been met within the monitoring year.

### **Community Strategy**

The Local Government Act 2000 requires local authorities to prepare a community strategy. "**A County Fit for our Children A Strategy for Wiltshire 2004-2014**" was produced by the Wiltshire Strategic Board in October 2003. It sets out the broad vision for the future of the County and proposals for delivering that vision.

### **Core Strategy Development Plan Document**

One of the most important Development Plan Documents to be produced, the County Council intends to produce both minerals and waste Core Strategies to define the long term strategic vision and policies for minerals and waste development in the plan area (Wiltshire and the Borough of Swindon).

### **Development Plan Documents (DPD)**

DPDs are spatial planning documents that are subject to independent examination. They will have 'development plan' status (please see the explanation of 'the development plan' below).

### **Government Office for the South West (GOSW)**

The Government's regional office. Local Planning Authorities will liaise with GOSW as a first point of contact to discuss the scope and content of Local Development Documents and procedural matters.

### **Local Development Framework (LDF)**

The LDF comprises a portfolio of LDDs that will provide the framework for delivering the spatial planning strategy for the area. District and Unitary Authorities will prepare LDF's for their area.

### **Local Development Document (LDD)**

A LDD will form part of the Local Development Framework and can either be a Development Plan Document (DPD) or a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). Wiltshire County Council is responsible for producing a **Minerals and Waste Development Framework** containing Minerals and Waste Local Development Documents.

### **Local Development Scheme (LDS)**

The LDS sets out a 3 year programme for the preparation of LDDs. Wiltshire County Council has prepared a Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS), setting out a timetable for preparation of Minerals LDDs and Waste LDDs. The MWDS must be submitted to the Secretary of State for approval and monitored annually through the AMR system. See also MWDS below.

### **Local Strategic Partnership (LSP)**

Non-statutory, non-executive body bringing together representatives of the public, private and voluntary sectors. The LSP is responsible for preparing the Community Strategy.

### **Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS)**

A 3 year project plan sets out the preparation milestones of the Minerals and Waste Development Framework. Again, the procedures for approving monitoring and reviewing the MWDS involves dialogue with the Secretary of State

### **Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM)**

The Government department responsible for planning and local government.

### **Planning Aid**

A voluntary service offering independent professional advice and help on planning matters which aims to give people the confidence to help themselves in a planning context and to become involved in wider planning issues.

**Planning Inspectorate (PINS)**

The Government agency responsible for scheduling independent examinations. The planning Inspectors who sit on independent examinations are employed by PINS.

**Proposals Map**

A separate Local Development Document which illustrates on an Ordnance Survey base map all the policies and proposals contained in Minerals and Waste Development Plan Documents and 'saved policies' (where applicable). It must be revised each time a new Development Plan Document is approved for adoption.

**Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS)**

This document is being prepared by the South West Regional Assembly and will replace the Regional Planning Guidance for the South West. It will have statutory development plan status.

**Saved Plan & Saved Policies**

Under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 the Wiltshire and Swindon Minerals and Waste Local Plans have been 'saved' for a period of three years (either from the date of adoption or September 2004 as appropriate).

**Stakeholder**

Anyone who is interested in, or may be affected by the planning proposals that are being considered.

**Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)**

Local Planning Authorities must comply with European Union Directive 2001/42/EC which requires a high level, strategic assessment of local development documents (DPDs and, where appropriate SPDs) and other programmes (e.g. the Local Transport Plan and the Municipal Waste Management Strategy) that are likely to have significant effects on the environment.

**Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)**

Whilst not having 'development plan' status, SPDs can form an important part of the local development framework of an area. They can be used to expand policy or provide further detail to policies in development plan documents. Community involvement will be important in preparing SPDs but they will not be subject to independent examination.

**Sustainability Appraisal (SA)**

Local Planning Authorities are bound by legislation to appraise the degree to which their plans and policies contribute to the achievement of sustainable development. The process of Sustainability Appraisal is similar to Strategic Environmental Assessment but is broader in context, examining the effects of plans and policies on a range of social, economic and environmental factors. To comply with Government policy, Wiltshire County Council is producing a Sustainability Appraisal that incorporates a Strategic Environmental Assessment of its Minerals and Waste LDDs.

**The Development Plan**

The Government is committed to ensuring that planning decisions on proposals for development or the change of use of land should not be arbitrary. The statutory development plan will continue to be the starting point in the consideration of planning applications (Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004). The development plan consists of:

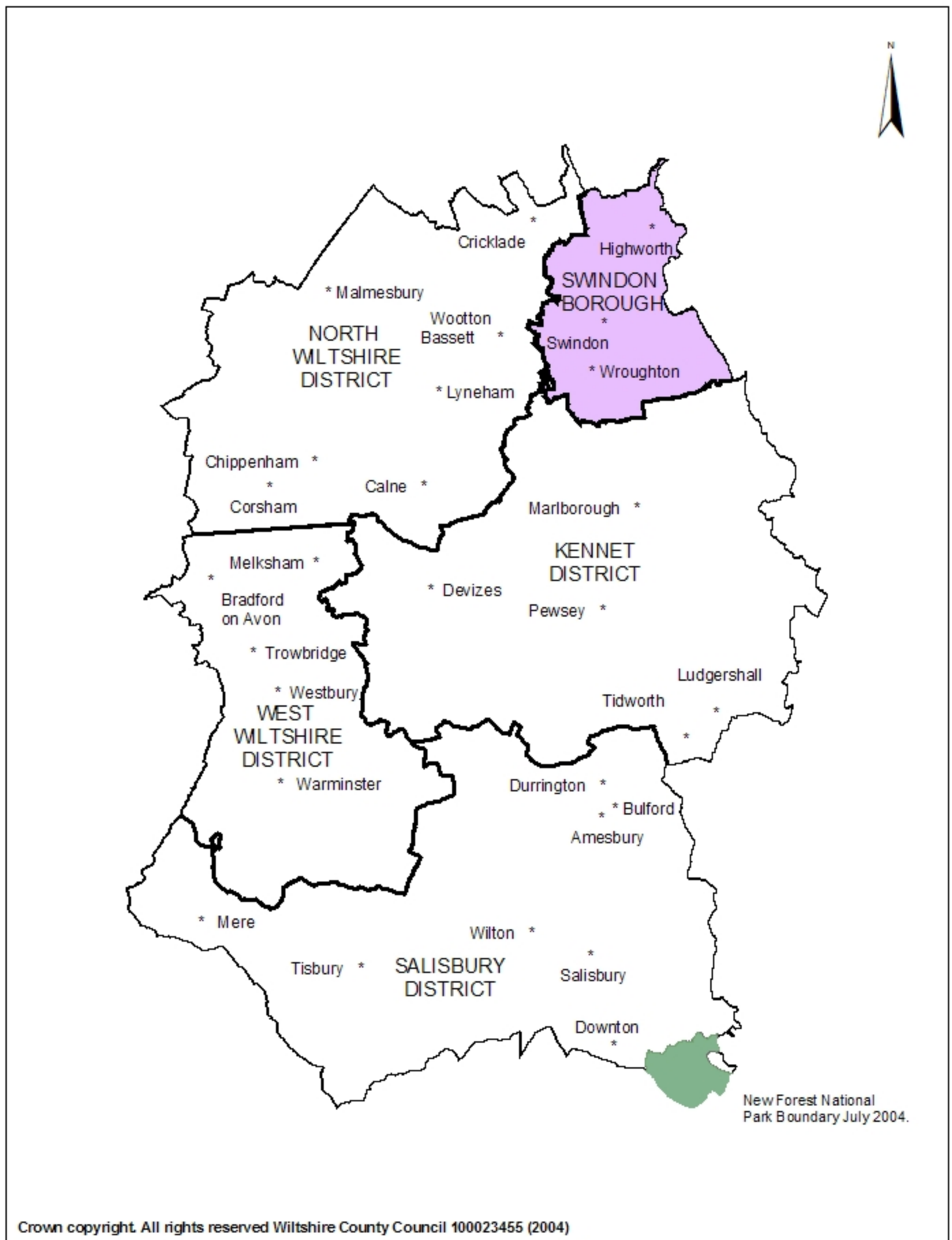
- (i) the Regional Spatial Strategy prepared by the South West Regional Assembly ("the Regional Planning Body"); and
- (ii) Development Plan Documents prepared by the district Councils, unitary authorities, National Park authorities (where applicable) and the County Councils.

**Wiltshire COMPACT**

A partnership agreement between statutory agencies and membership organisations from the voluntary and community sector. It sets out a number of principles within which the members of the COMPACT agree to work.

## Appendix B: Area covered by the Wiltshire and Swindon Minerals LDDs and Waste LDDs

The Plan Area for Minerals and Waste LDDs comprises the Borough of Swindon and the County of Wiltshire, excluding that part of Salisbury District within the boundary of the New Forest National Park. The area annotated below, comprising parts of the parishes of Landford, Redlynch and Whiteparish, is therefore excluded from these LDDs.





## **Appendix C      Summary of the Minerals and Waste Local Development Documents Preparation Process**

There are four stages for preparing a DPD:

1. Pre-production – survey and evidence gathering
2. Production – issues, options, and consultation – produce 2 documents: a ‘pre-submission consultation’ draft and the ‘submission DPD’.
3. Independent examination – inquiry
4. Adoption – binding Inspector’s Report

### **Pre- Production**

WCC will prepare and maintain an up-to-date information base on the social, economic and environmental characteristic of their area (identify opportunities and constraints). This includes population distribution, transport systems and other considerations that may affect these matters.

### **Production**

WCC will undertake an SA / SEA of the ‘pre-submission document’. WCC will consult the public prior to submission of the LDD to the SoS.

#### *Preparation of Issues and Options*

Early decisions must be taken on key options so that the consequences can be assessed. When preparing DPDs, WCC will have regard to: National policies/guidance; RSS, and adjoining RSS; the community strategy; other LDDs; and the resources available for implementing the proposals. Consultation arrangements for this phase of work will be for a period of 8 weeks (in line with the COMPACT). The outcomes of early phases of community engagement, consultation and sustainability appraisal (incorporating the provisions of SEA) will be used to inform the preparation of the ‘preferred options’ documents.

#### *Consultation on Preferred Options*

WCC will subject preferred options documents to a 6 week consultation period. Any representations made on the pre-submission document do not go forward to independent Examination, but WCC will need to show how the outcomes of such consultation have informed the production of the submission document, including an explanation as to how they have affected the policies. Again, SA (SEA) will be used to refine the ‘submission draft’ document in readiness for the next phase of work.

#### *Submission to SoS of the Document*

At the ‘submission stage’ the finalised document will once again be subject to a consultation for a 6 week period. The County Council will aim to build consensus through continuous community involvement so that representations on the submission document should not entail fundamental changes to the substance of the proposals. These representations should help to identify issues to be explored at inquiry, but changes cannot be proposed by County Council. If omission sites are put forward during this consultation then those representations will be published for another 6 week consultation period (although the County Council will not review the proposals map and site allocation documents at this stage).

## **Independent Examination**

Is the plan sound? The criteria for assessing 'soundness' is set out in national guidance (PPS12 para 4.24). This states that the presumption will be that the DPD is sound unless it is shown to be otherwise as a result of evidence considered at the examination. The criteria for assessing whether a DPD is sound will apply individually and collectively to policies in the DPD. A DPD will be sound if it meets the following tests:

### *Procedural*

- i. It has been prepared in accordance with the Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS);
- ii. It has been prepared in compliance with the SCI, or with the minimum requirements set out in the Regulations where no SCI exists;
- iii. The plan and its policies have been subjected to sustainability appraisal;

### *Conformity*

- iv. It is a spatial plan which is consistent with national planning policy, in general conformity with the RSS for the region and has properly had regard to any other relevant plans, policies and strategies relating to the area or to adjoining areas;
- v. It has had regard to the authority's community strategy;

### *Coherence, consistency and effectiveness*

- vi. the strategies/policies/allocations in the plan in the plan are coherent and consistent within and between DPDs prepared by the authority and by neighbouring authorities, where cross boundary issues are relevant;
- vii. The strategies/policies/allocations represent the most appropriate in all the circumstances, having considered the relevant alternatives, and they are founded on a robust and credible evidence base;
- viii. there are clear mechanisms for implementation and monitoring; and
- ix. the plan is reasonably flexible to enable it to deal with changing circumstances.

## **Adoption**

Following the Independent Examination the Planning Inspector will produce a report containing recommendations for the County Council. These will be binding on the Authority and incorporated into the final adopted Minerals or Waste Local Development Document (as appropriate). Once a document has been formally adopted by the County Council it will be incorporated into the Minerals and Waste Development Framework (MWDF), monitored and reviewed accordingly.

## Appendix D Bodies to be consulted during LDD Preparation

### “Specific Consultation Bodies”

The Regional Planning Body  
The Countryside Agency  
The Environment Agency  
English Heritage  
English Nature  
The Strategic Rail Authority  
The Highways Agency  
The South West Regional Development Agency  
The South East Regional Development Agency  
All County, Unitary, District and Parish / Town Councils within and adjoining Wiltshire (including Swindon)

Any person (as appropriate):

- to whom the electronic communications code applies (reference section 106(3) (a) of the Communications Act 2003; and
- who owns or controls electronic communications apparatus situated in any part of Wiltshire (including Swindon)

The Strategic Health Authority  
Electricity and Gas suppliers (as appropriate)  
Water and Sewerage undertakers (as appropriate)

### “General Consultation Bodies<sup>8</sup>”

As prescribed (by Regulation; see Footnote 8) and also:

#### **Government Departments and Agencies (not listed as “Specific Consultation Bodies”)**

Department of Food and Rural Affairs  
Government Office for the South West  
Forestry Commission  
Home Office  
Ministry of Defence (*Defence Estates and Safeguarding*)  
ODPM Minerals and Waste Division

#### **Industry and Planning Agencies**

Aggregate Industries  
Biffa Waste Services  
British Aggregate Association  
Chicksgrove Quarry  
Chilmark Stone Ltd  
Chitterne Landfill

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<sup>8</sup> Within the Regulations, “General consultation bodies” are prescribed as meaning the following:

- a) voluntary bodies who benefit the Plan area;
- b) bodies which represent the interests of different racial, ethnic or national groups in the Plan area;
- c) bodies which represent the interests of different religious groups in the Plan area;
- d) bodies which represent the interests of disabled persons in the Plan area; and
- e) bodies which represent the interests of persons carrying on business in the Plan area.

Cleansing Services Group  
Co-operative Group (CWS) Ltd  
Crapper and Sons  
D K Symes Associates  
Elm Park Stone Ltd  
Fisher German Chartered Surveyors  
Foster Yeoman Ltd  
Hanson Aggregates  
Hemmings Waste Management  
Hills Minerals and Waste  
Imerys  
Lafarge Cement UK  
Land and Mineral Management  
Mendip Quarry Producers Association  
Mendip Rail  
Moore Allen and Innocent  
Moreton C Cullimore (Gravels) Ltd  
Peter Brett Associates  
Peter Swann Associates  
Planning Issues  
Quarry Products Association  
RMC (UK) Ltd  
Road Haulage Association  
Robert Brett & Sons Ltd  
Robert Long Consultancy  
RPS  
Sahara (Melksham) Ltd  
SITA  
Strutt and Parker  
Tarmac Quarry Products  
Taylor Woodrow Developments  
Terrence O'Rourke Ltd  
Viridor Waste Management  
Wardell Armstrong

**Other Consultees (e.g. voluntary bodies, action, lobby, interest groups etc)**

Access for All  
Age Concern  
Asthma UK  
Avon and Western Wiltshire Mental Health Care NHS Trust  
British Geological Survey  
British Waterways  
Byways and Bridleways Trust  
Campaign Against Gravel Extraction (Upper Thames)  
Campaign to Protect Rural England  
Chippenham Chamber of Commerce  
Church Authorities  
Citizens Advice Bureau  
Community Partnerships  
Community First  
Connect Utilities  
Cotswolds AONB Conservation Board  
Cotswold Canals Trust  
Cotswold Water Park Joint Committee  
Cotswold Water Park Society

County Music and Drama Library  
Country Land and Business Association  
Cranborne Chase and West Wiltshire Downs AONB Partnership Panel  
Devizes Chamber of Commerce  
Equal Opportunities Council  
Federation of Small Businesses (Wilts Branch)  
FPD Savills  
Freight Transport Association (South West Region)  
Friends of Steeple Ashton  
Friends of the Earth  
Garden History Society  
General Aviation Awareness Council  
GL Hearn  
Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust  
Great Western Community Forest  
Hampshire Wildlife Trust  
Health and Safety Executive  
Help the Aged  
Hinton Organics  
House Builders Federation  
Kennet and North Wiltshire Primary Care Trust  
Malmesbury and District Chamber of Commerce  
Malmesbury Civic Trust  
Marlborough Chamber of Commerce  
Melksham Chamber of Commerce  
National Farmers Union  
National Trust  
Network Rail  
North Wessex Downs AONB Council of Partners  
North Wiltshire, Avon and West Wiltshire Mental Health Care NHS Trust  
Old Town Business and Professional Association  
Pinehurst People's Centre  
RAF Fairford  
Railtrack Property  
Railways Development Society  
Ramblers Association  
Royal Society for the Protection of Birds  
Salisbury Chamber of Commerce  
Salisbury Civic Society  
Salisbury Diocesan Board of Education  
Salisbury Health Care Trust  
Salisbury Local Studies Library  
Shaftesbury & District Task Force  
Showell Nurseries  
South West Trains  
South Wiltshire Primary Care Trust  
Sport England  
Swindon Chamber of Commerce  
Swindon Civic Society  
Swindon and Marlborough Trust Hospitals  
Swindon and Marlborough NHS Trust  
Sustrans  
The British Horse Society  
The Calne Project  
The Duchy of Cornwall

The Duke of Somerset's Estate  
The Inland Waterways Association  
The Kennet and Avon Canal Trust  
The National Farmers Union  
The Trust for Devises  
Transco  
Transport 2000  
Trowbridge Civic Society  
University of the Third Age  
Upper Thames Protection Society  
Wessex Chamber of Commerce  
Wessex Association of Chambers of Commerce  
Wetlands Advisory Service Ltd  
Whiteparish Preservation Group  
Wilts and Berks Canal Trust  
Wiltshire and Swindon Biological Records Office  
Wiltshire and Swindon Health Care Trust  
Wiltshire and Swindon Users Network  
Wiltshire Archaeological and Natural History Society  
Wiltshire Association of Local Councils  
Wiltshire Blind Association  
Wiltshire Bridleways Association  
Wiltshire Fisheries Association  
Wiltshire Geology Group  
Wiltshire Historical Churches Trust  
Wiltshire Fire Brigade  
Wiltshire PHAB  
Wiltshire Police  
Wiltshire Racial Equality Council  
Wiltshire Wildlife Trust  
Women's Royal Voluntary Service  
Woodland Trust

**Local press**

The Andover Advertiser  
The Gazette and Herald  
The Salisbury Journal  
The Wiltshire Times  
& other local and community newspapers

**Youth groups, schools and colleges in Wiltshire**

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