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**Dear Sirs** 

## Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Site Allocations DPD – Continuation of Comments Re: Everleigh Site & Thorny Down

As the Everleigh and Thorny Down sites are currently in use as Waste Transfer Stations it would seem appropriate to continue this function. However, in the above DPD their potential uses have omitted WTS use.

We have been given the indication the leases/permits for waste management facilities at these sites will expire in 2016. Has any attempt been made since the consultation/exhibition by Hills Waste Solutions on 6 June 2011 to extend the leases/permit? I ask this question because it was posed at the 6 June meeting and warrants an explanation. The DPD should appraise sites suitable for waste management facility use up to 2026, so it is confusing to see these sites in the document if they can no longer be used after 2016.

I and many other people cannot understand why this was not apparently considered before, nor can we understand why expansion of these sites had not been pursued.

Obviously, if these sites are still suitable for WTS operations then the recent consultation/proposal by HWS to build a WTS at Castledown Business Park would be totally unjustified; especially as the CBP site has never been used for waste management facilities, whereas Everleigh and Thorny Down are already operational.

I conclude that Castledown Business Park and Pickpit Hill should be removed from the DPD as their inclusion is unsound. I also conclude that attempts should be made to prolong the activities at Everleigh and Thorny Down to at least 2026, making their inclusion in the DPD sound; and they should also be considered suitable for WTS operations.

Please acknowledge receipt of my comments and provide answers to my questions. Thank you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully

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