

Melksham Area Board 12 May 2011

Chairman's Announcements

i. Reducing Child Poverty Strategy Consultation

The Child Poverty Act requires each local authority to produce a child poverty strategy.

The consultation is currently open regarding the content of the Wiltshire Reducing Child Poverty Strategy. The draft strategy includes a suggested strategic objective around geographic approaches (page 16).

The Area Board is invited to contribute its views. The link is set out below:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/healthandsocialcare/childrenyoungpeoplefamilies/reducingchildpovertyconsultation.htm>

Consultation closes on 4 April 2011.

Information has already been sent to a wide distribution including all councillors, the Wiltshire Assembly, thematic partnerships, schools and early years' settings.

ii. Library Review

The Wiltshire Library Service Review has culminated in a decision by cabinet on 25 January to accept the proposals outlined in the Library Service review paper.

A summary of the proposals is available in the document provided tonight which has section for comments that can be completed and returned to the council.

The proposals include inviting members of the community to get involved in volunteering in their libraries and the document has a reply section for those interested to get in touch

The key points for libraries in this area are

- All mobile library stops will continue to operate
- Melksham library opening hours will be reduced from 42 to 40 hours a week
- New self service technology will be introduced to the library to improve efficiency and help communities extend library opening hours through support from volunteers, who will be trained and supported by Wiltshire library staff

iii. Digital Inclusion

Wiltshire Council's business plan for 2011-15 has prioritised a number of areas for investment, of which Digital Inclusion and supporting the rollout of superfast broadband for both business and home users is a key area. The Council has set the ambitious target of enabling 85% of all premises to be able to access superfast broadband (possibly 95% with additional funding) and for all premises able to receive standard broadband by 2015.

To help understand existing coverage and the requirements for the future, Wiltshire Council will be launching a superfast broadband survey for home and business users between 26 April and 3 June. This will allow people to say what types of services they can currently access over internet and how well their service performs. The survey will also ask about their views for getting superfast broadband in their community the future. This information will allow the Council to better understand the demand for this service and where it will need to prioritise investment.

The council is keen to get as many responses as possible to help inform its rollout plans over the next 4 years.

The survey will be available on-line and also available as a printed document. Details are available from:

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/digitalinclusion

Printed versions can be requested by calling and asking for the digital inclusion survey from the start date of the survey - 0300 456 0100

Results of the survey will be shared on the Council web site in July, via the same link.

iv. Consultation on Wiltshire and Swindon Proposed Submission Draft Waste Site Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD)

Wiltshire Council is updating its policy framework to ensure that future proposals for waste development in Wiltshire are for the right types of facilities in the right locations. Consultation will commence in June 2011 for 8 weeks on a draft Waste Site Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD) (starting 13 June 2011 and closing at 5pm 5 August 2011).

The consultation document allocates a range of sites for a variety of potential waste uses to provide a flexible and responsive framework that will enable waste to be driven up the waste hierarchy - i.e. reducing our dependence on landfill, with a greater focus on recycling and composting of waste. The majority of sites identified

are on land currently in use by existing waste management facilities or current/proposed industrial areas (list of sites and map attached).

Once the consultation period has closed, the draft Sites DPD, the supporting evidence base and all comments received during the consultation will be submitted to the Secretary of State (following Full Council approval) for independent examination.

This DPD forms the final key document in the policy framework for the provision of waste sites within Wiltshire and Swindon, which includes:

- Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Core Strategy (adopted July 2009)
- Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Development Control Policies Development Plan Document (adopted September 2009)

The draft Sites DPD will be available from the start of the consultation period (13 June 2011). The Council encourages anyone wishing to view and comment on the consultation document to use the council's consultation website:

<http://consult.wiltshire.gov.uk/portal>

Hard copies of the documents will also be available for inspection at Wiltshire Council and Swindon Borough Council main offices as well as all libraries throughout the County and Borough. For further information please contact the Minerals and Waste Policy Team at Wiltshire Council by telephone (01225 713429) or email: mineralsandwastepolicy@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Note:

For minerals and waste matters, Wiltshire Council prepares its policy framework jointly with Swindon Borough Council.

Abbreviations:

HRC	Household Recycling Centre	C	Composting
MRF/ WTS	Materials Recovery Facility/Waste Transfer Station	T	Waste Treatment, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mechanical Biological Treatment (MBT)• Anaerobic Digestion (AD)• Energy from Waste (EfW)
IWR/T	Inert Waste Recycling and Transfer	L	Landfill
LR	Local Recycling		

Wiltshire and Swindon Proposed Submission Draft Waste Site Allocations DPD

Proposed Waste Site Allocations

Community area	Proposed waste site	Proposed waste use(s)
Wootton Bassett & Cricklade	Parkgate Farm, Purton	MRF/WTS, LR, IWR/T, T
	Purton Brickworks Employment Allocation, Purton	MRF/WTS, LR, T
	Park Grounds Farm, Wootton Bassett	L (landraise extension), T
	Whitehills Industrial Estate, Wootton Bassett	MRF/WTS, LR
Malmesbury	Barnground, South Cerney	MRF/WTS, LR
Chippenham	Land East of HRC/WTS at Stanton St Quintin	MRF/WTS, LR, T
	Land West of HRC/WTS Stanton St Quintin	MRF/WTS, LR, IWR/T, T
	Bumpers Farm Industrial Estate, Chippenham	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR
Calne	Hills Resource Recovery Centre, Compton Bassett	T (excluding EfW)
	Porte Marsh Industrial Estate, Calne	MRF/WTS, LR
Corsham	Thingley Junction, Chippenham	MRF/WTS, LR
	Leafield Industrial Estate, Corsham	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR
Marlborough	Salisbury Road Business Park, Marlborough	MRF/WTS, LR
Trowbridge	Canal Road Industrial Estate, Trowbridge	MRF/WTS, LR
	West Ashton Employment Allocation, Trowbridge	MRF/WTS, LR
Melksham	Hampton Business Park, Melksham	MRF/WTS, LR, T
	Bowerhill Industrial Estate, Melksham	MRF/WTS, LR
Westbury	West Wilts Trading Estate, Westbury	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR, T
	Northacre Trading Estate, Westbury	MRF/WTS, LR, T
	Lafarge Cement Works, Westbury	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR, IWR/T, C, T (and associated L of residual

		waste from T process)
Devizes	Hopton Industrial Estate, Devizes	MRF/WTS, LR
	Nursteed Road Employment Allocation, Devizes	MRF/WTS, LR
	Wiltshire Waste, Tinkersfield Farm, Monument Hill, Devizes	T
Pewsey	Salisbury Road Business Park, Pewsey	MRF/WTS, LR
Tidworth	Castledown Business Park, Ludgershall	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR
	Everleigh Waste Management Facility, Everleigh	IWR/T, C
	Pickpit Hill, Tidworth	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR, IWR/T, C
Amesbury	Solstice Business Park, Amesbury	MRF/WTS, LR
Warminster	Warminster Business Park, Warminster	MRF/WTS, LR
	Chitterne Waste Management Facility, Chitterne	MRF/WTS, LR IWR/T, C, T
Mere	Employment Allocation, Mere	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR
Salisbury	Former Imerys Quarry, Quidhampton	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR, local scale T
Southern Wiltshire	CB Skip Hire, St Thomas Farm, Salisbury	LR, IWR/T, C
	Sarum Business Centre, Salisbury	MRF/WTS, LR
	Thorney Down WTS, Winterslow	C, IWR/T
	Salisbury Road Industrial Estate, Downton	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR
	Brickworth Quarry and Landfill, Whiteparish	IWR/T

