

Marlborough Area Board – 21 June 2011

Agenda Item No.7

Chairman's Announcements

Core Strategy Consultation Event

Wiltshire Council is consulting on the Core Strategy for Wiltshire. The consultation will take place between 13th June and 8th August.

This will set out how Wiltshire will change over the next 15 years or so and will importantly give a certain framework within which investors can make decisions and communities can consider their neighbourhood plans (subject to what emerges through the Localism Bill).

The Cabinet of Wiltshire Council has given officers the authority to make the next steps that will ensure that the plan is subject to ongoing and meaningful dialogue with local communities. It is already some 5 years in production, due to government changes, and has been subject to consultation in various forms on many occasions. What the Council wishes to avoid is a top down plan, but is rather one that has been produced in cooperation with local areas and has been demonstrably shaped by those discussions.

As an ongoing part of that dialogue we are committed to further consultation within each Community Area.

An event has been organised in **Marlborough Town Hall on Wednesday 29 June**. It will run from **2.30 – 8.00pm** and will take the form of an exhibition with officers on hand to answer any questions and take note of comments made.

Marlborough Energy Awareness Event

Did you find it difficult to pay the rising costs of your energy bills over the colder months? If so, then please visit the free of charge Wiltshire Council's Energy Awareness Event at Marlborough library on **Wednesday 29th June 10.30am - 2.30pm**.

You will have access to a wealth of knowledge and information and the opportunity to chat with our specially trained Home Energy Efficiency Officers to find out how you can reduce costs by running your home more energy efficiently. If you have experienced problems keeping up with your heating and electricity bills then you can have a quiet chat with the Citizens Advice Bureau Fuel Poverty advisor. You can also speak to our waste and recycling team and find out more about your eligibility for our new free home insulation scheme.

Invitation to comment on the final draft proposed new council-wide Street trading scheme

At a meeting on the 5 April 2011 Wiltshire Council's Licensing Committee considered the issues raised by public consultation on the proposed council-wide street trading scheme.

The main issues raised by public consultation were:

- The scope of the street trading scheme
- The level of bureaucracy and length of time it would take to process applications
- The level of the proposed street trading fees.

After considering these issues, the Licensing Committee decided to:

- Alter the proposed exemption for ice-cream vans so that it now reads 'trading from a motorised ice-cream van which moves from street to street not stopping in one place for longer than 15 minutes or within **200m** of a school/ college.' This will also result in a change to the application criteria and standard conditions.
- Introduce the following additional **exemptions from the scheme**:
 - trading on private land (including land owned, leased or maintained by a town/parish council) where this is **not** a road, car-park or industrial estate with public access or within **10 metres** of any road, car-park or industrial estate with public access
 - markets run by town/parish councils
 - fetes, carnivals or similar community based and run events, for example Christmas lights switch-on events
 - non-commercial, community or charitable events where the profits are not used for private gain or are wholly passed to a charity or political/ educational organisation
 - sales of articles by householders on land within the boundary of their home, for example garage sales
 - goods from working farms or smallholdings sold at the premises where they were produced (officers to take a view on the proportion of goods that have been produced at the premises.
- Reduce the number of Standard Conditions to avoid duplicating existing legislation, for example environmental health, planning and trading standards.
- Replace detailed references to additional legal requirements with a sentence reminding traders that there are other legal requirements that need to be met, which may involve additional costs.

- Maintain two sets of fees, but replace the phrase 'town centre traders' with 'town traders.' A 'town' will be defined as any area that has a town council as opposed to a parish council and the boundaries of towns will be determined by the boundary of the town council.
- Refund part of the street trading fees for street traders who can demonstrate that they have paid business rates.
- Delete 'Needs of the area' from the criteria for determining applications on the basis that the council should not control competition between street traders and fixed business premises if street traders are paying street trading fees to the council.
- Process street trading applications within a maximum of 60 days, including a 30 day consultation period.
- Increase the fee for a Daily Street Trading Consent Sunday- Friday for town centre traders to £30 a day, and increase the fee for a Daily Street Trading Consent for all other traders to £15 a day.

The street trading scheme will now be revised in the light of these decisions. Council officers will undertake a second, two week, public consultation commencing mid June 2011 with all interested parties including area boards.

The consultation document will be available on the Council's website:

<http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/consultations.htm>

The Licensing Committee will consider the revised street trading scheme and the results of the second public consultation at a meeting in September 2011, with a view to the council adopting the council-wide street trading scheme by the end of 2011.

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:

RC	Household Recycling Centre		Composting
RF/WT	Materials Recovery Facility/Waste Transfer Station		Waste Treatment, e.g. Mechanical Biological Treatment (MBT) Anaerobic Digestion (AD) Energy from Waste (EfW)
IWR/T	Inert Waste Recycling and Transfer		Landfill
R	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 Whitehills Industrial Estate, Wootton Bassett	L (landraise extension), T MRF/WTS, LR
Malmesbury Chippenham	Barnground, South Cerney	MRF/WTS, LR
	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

Calne	Bumpers Farm Industrial Estate, Chippenham Hills Resource Recovery Centre, Compton Bassett	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR T (excluding EfW)
Corsham	Porte Marsh Industrial Estate, Calne Thingley Junction, Chippenham	MRF/WTS, LR MRF/WTS, LR
Marlborough	Leafield Industrial Estate, Corsham Salisbury Road Business Park, Marlborough	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR MRF/WTS, LR
Trowbridge	Canal Road Industrial Estate, Trowbridge West Ashton Employment Allocation, Trowbridge	MRF/WTS, LR MRF/WTS, LR
Melksham	Hampton Business Park, Melksham Bowerhill Industrial Estate, Melksham	MRF/WTS, LR, T MRF/WTS, LR
Westbury	West Wilts Trading Estate, Westbury Northacre Trading Estate, Westbury Lafarge Cement Works, Westbury	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR, T MRF/WTS, LR, T HRC, MRF/WTS, LR, IWR/T, C, T (and associated L of residual waste from T process)
Devizes	Hopton Industrial Estate, Devizes Nursteed Road Employment Allocation, Devizes Wiltshire Waste, Tinkersfield Farm, Monument Hill, Devizes	MRF/WTS, LR MRF/WTS, LR T
Pewsey Tidworth	Salisbury Road Business Park, Pewsey Castledown Business Park, Ludgershall Everleigh Waste Management Facility, Everleigh Pickpit Hill, Tidworth	MRF/WTS, LR HRC, MRF/WTS, LR IWR/T, C HRC, MRF/WTS, LR, IWR/T, C
Amesbury Warminster	Solstice Business Park, Amesbury Warminster Business Park, Warminster Chitterne Waste Management Facility, Chitterne	MRF/WTS, LR MRF/WTS, LR MRF/WTS, LR IWR/T, C, T
Mere Salisbury	Employment Allocation, Mere Former Imerys Quarry, Quidhampton	HRC, MRF/WTS, LR HRC, MRF/WTS, LR, local scale T
Southern Wiltshire	CB Skip Hire, St Thomas Farm, Salisbury Sarum Business Centre, Salisbury Thorney Down WTS, Winterslow Salisbury Road Industrial Estate, Downton Brickworth Quarry and Landfill, Whiteparish	LR, IWR/T, C MRF/WTS, LR C, IWR/T HRC, MRF/WTS, LR IWR/T