RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES

ADOPTED WILTSHIRE STRUCTURE PLAN 2011

- C1 THE MAINTENANCE AND ENHANCEMENT OF THE COUNTY'S NATURE CONSERVATION RESOURCES SHOULD BE SAFEGUARDED, THROUGH THE CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT, AND BY POSITIVE ACTION SUCH AS SYMPATHETIC LAND MANAGEMENT.
- C3 THE NATURE CONSERVATION IMPORTANCE OF AREAS OF HIGH ECOLOGICAL VALUE, WILDLIFE CORRIDORS AND IMPORTANT HABITATS SHOULD BE PROTECTED AND ENHANCED WHEREVER POSSIBLE.
- C9 WITHIN SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS ANY PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT SHOULD HAVE REGARD TO THE NEED TO PROTECT LANDSCAPE CHARACTER AND SCENIC QUALITY. THE AREAS ARE:-
 - 1. THE MAJORITY OF SALISBURY PLAIN EXCLUDING TWO AREAS AROUND NETHERAVON, LARKHILL, BULFORD AND AMESBURY, AND LUDGERSHALL AND TIDWORTH.
 - 2. THOSE PARTS OF SALISBURY DISTRICT TO THE NORTH AND EAST OF THE CRANBORNE CHASE AND WEST WILTSHIRE DOWNS AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY, EXCLUDING AN AREA AROUND SALISBURY AND WILTON.
 - 3. THE BLACKMORE VALE FROM ZEALS TO SEDGEHILL, AND A SMALL AREA TO THE EAST OF SHAFTESBURY.
 - 4. THE CHAPMANSLADE GREENSAND RIDGE.
 - THE HIGHER LAND OF THE SPYE AND BOWOOD PARKLANDS.
 - 6. THE RIVER FROME VALLEY AT VAGGS HILL AND
 - 7. THE SOUTHERN FRINGES OF THE COTSWOLDS, NOT COVERED BY DESIGNATION AS AN AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY.
- W4 PROPOSALS FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES SHOULD HAVE REGARD TO EFFECTS ON LOCAL AMENITIES, NEARBY LAND USES, LANDSCAPE, THE NATURAL AND HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT, TRAFFIC GENERATION, WATER RESOURCES, POLLUTION AND RESTORATION AND AFTERCARE OF THE SITE.

ADOPTED WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON WASTE LOCAL PLAN 2011

POLICY 1 SUSTAINABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT AND BPEO

TO ASSIST IN ACHIEVING SUSTAINABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT AND THE BPEO, PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT PROPOSALS MUST DEMONSTRATE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE WPAs THAT THEY HAVE HAD REGARD AS APPROPRIATE TO THE NEED TO:

- (a) CONTRIBUTE TO AN ADEQUATE AND INTEGRATED NETWORK OF WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES:
- (b) MEET LOCAL AND NATIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT TARGETS AND TAKE FULL ACCOUNT OF THE PLAN'S WASTE HIERARCHY BY MAXIMISING OPPORTUNITIES FOR WASTE ELIMINATION, REDUCTION, RE-USE, RECYCLING/COMPOSTING AND ENERGY RECOVERY IN THAT ORDER OF PRIORITY;
- (c) REDUCE CONSUMPTION OF, AND EFFICIENTLY USE, PRIMARY RESOURCES;
- (d) MINIMISE THE DISTANCE WASTE HAS TO BE TRANSPORTED;
- (e) MAXIMISE OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRANSPORTING WASTE BY RAIL OR WATER;
- (f) PROTECT AND WHERE REQUIRED ENHANCE ENVIRONMENTAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY ASSETS:
- (g) OPTIMISE THE USE OF PREVIOUSLY DEVELOPED OR USED LAND OR BUILDINGS: AND
- (h) CONFORM TO THE PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPLE.

POLICY 2 THE NEED FOR WASTE DEVELOPMENT AND REGIONAL SELF SUFFICIENCY

WASTE MANAGEMENT PROPOSALS WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED WHERE:

- (a) THERE IS A DEMONSTRATED NEED TO CATER FOR WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON'S WASTE ARISINGS; OR
- (b) THERE IS A NEED TO MEET A DEMONSTRATED CROSS BOUNDARY REQUIREMENT, WHICH ACCORDS WITH THE PROXIMITY PRINCIPLE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR WASTE ARISING WITHIN THE PLAN AREA; OR
- (c) IN THE CASE OF LANDFILL, THE DEVELOPMENT IS NEEDED FOR OPERATIONAL OR RESTORATION PURPOSES:

AND WHERE THE NEED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OUTWEIGHS ANY MATERIAL PLANNING OBJECTIONS.

POLICY 6 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, HUMAN HEALTH, AND AMENITY AND TRANSPORT

PROPOSALS FOR NEW AND/OR EXTENDED WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED WHERE IT CAN BE DEMONSTRATED THAT THERE WILL BE NO SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, HUMAN HEALTH OR AMENITY. A HIGH STANDARD OF DESIGN WILL BE REQUIRED AND APPLICANTS WILL NEED TO DEMONSTRATE IN THEIR APPLICATION THAT THEIR PROPOSALS FULFIL THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- (a) SAFEGUARDING THE AMENITY AND CHARACTER OF ANY NEARBY DWELLINGS, SETTLEMENTS AND OTHER NEARBY, SENSITIVE LAND USES, INCLUDING URBAN GREEN SPACES, AND THE COUNTRYSIDE. IN ADDITION WASTE MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT SHOULD NOT IMPEDE THE IMPROVEMENT OF ADJOINING AREAS OF DEGRADED ENVIRONMENT;
- (b) HIGH QUALITY DESIGN OF THE SITE, BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND ACCESS ROADS, TO ACHIEVE AND ACCEPTABLE VISUAL IMPACT ON THE SURROUNDING AREA;
- (c) THE CONTROL OF NOISE AND LIGHT EMISSIONS AND THEIR IMPACT ON EXISTING OR COMMITTED NOISE OR LIGHT SENSITIVE DEVELOPMENT OR AREAS:
- (d) THE CONTROL OF AIR EMISSIONS, INCLUDING SMELL AND DUST;
- (e) THE NEED TO AVOID THE CREATION OF CONTAMINATED LAND;
- (f) CONTROL OF THE IMPACTS OF TRAFFIC MOVEMENT ON LOCAL COMMUNITIES, SENSITIVE AREAS AND THE HIGHWAY NETWORK, INCLUDING MAKING THE BEST AND MOST EFFICIENT USE OF STRATEGIC AND LOCAL LORRY ROUTES. WHERE APPROPRIATE, APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY A TRANSPORT ASSESSMENT WHICH ADDRESSES THE IMPACT ON THE ROAD NETWORK OF TRAFFIC GENERATED BY THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT;
- (g) PROTECTION OF THE BEST AND MOST VERSATILE AGRICULTURAL LAND;
- (h) PROTECTION AND WHERE APPROPRIATE ENHANCEMENT OF THE WATER ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING PROTECTION OF GROUNDWATER, WATERCOURSES AND OTHER SURFACE WATER, THE AVOIDANCE OF FLOOD RISK AND THE EFFICIENT USE OF WATER;
- (i) PROTECTION AND WHERE APPROPRIATE ENHANCEMENT OF ANY AFFECTED DESIGNATED SITES OF NATURE CONSERVATION, HABITAT AND BIODIVERSITY, LANDSCAPE, COUNTRYSIDE, ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND/OR CULTURAL HERITAGE IMPORTANCE, INCLUDING LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE OBJECTIVES OF THE DESIGNATIONS;
- (j) PROTECTION OF OTHER FEATURES IDENTIFIED AS BEING IMPORTANT FOR BIODIVERSITY, AND ANY RARE AND PROTECTED SPECIES;
- (k) PROTECTION OF IMPORTANT LOCAL LANDSCAPES;
- (I) PROTECTION OF THE SETTINGS OF LISTED BUILDINGS, CONSERVATION AREAS AND SCHEDULED MONUMENTS:

- (m) PROTECTION OF OTHER IMPORTANT ARCHAEOLOGICAL REMAINS, PARKS AND GARDENS OF HISTORIC INTEREST AND THE ROUNDWAY DOWN BATTLEFIELD;
- (n) PROTECTION OF OTHER RECREATIONAL, CULTURAL AND TOURISM ASSETS;
- (o) THE SAFEGUARDING OF RIGHTS OF WAY;
- (p) THE SAFEGUARDING OF CANAL AND RAILWAY ROUTES WHERE THEIR RE-USE MAY BE ACHIEVABLE; AND
- (q) THE REQUIREMENT TO SAFEGUARD AIRFIELDS.

POLICY 20 NEW LANDFILL SITES

NEW LANDFILL SITES WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED WHERE THE APPLICATION DEMONSTRATES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE WPAS THAT THE PROPOSAL:

- (a) PROVIDES FOR THE ON-SITE RECOVERY OF WASTE WHEREVER THIS WOULD ACHIEVE THE BPEO;
- (b) MAKES PROVISION FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF THE GENERATION OF ANY LEACHATE AND LANDFILL GAS, INCLUDING, WHERE APPROPRIATE, THE RECOVERY OF ENERGY FROM LANDFILL GAS; AND
- (c) COMPLIES WITH POLICIES 1, 2 AND 5 TO 10 OF THIS PLAN.

PRIORITY WILL THEN BE GIVEN TO PROPOSALS THAT DEMONSTRATE THAT THERE ARE NO OTHER PRACTICAL OPTIONS FOR ACHIEVING BENEFICIAL RESTORATION AND AFTERUSE OF THE PROPOSED SITE (USUALLY WORKED OUT MINERAL SITES OR PREVIOUSLY USED OR DEVELOPED LAND) WITHIN AN ACCEPTABLE TIMESCALE.

ADOPTED SALISBURY DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN 2003

- C6 WITHIN THE SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREA, PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRYSIDE WILL BE CONSIDERED HAVING PARTICULAR REGARD TO THE HIGH QUALITY OF THE LANDSCAPE. WHERE PROPOSALS WHICH WOULD NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE QUALITY OF THE LANDSCAPE ARE ACCEPTABLE, THEY WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:
 - (i) THE SITING AND SCALE OF DEVELOPMENT TO BE SYMPATHETIC WITH THE LANDSCAPE; AND
 - (ii) HIGH STANDARDS OF LANDSCAPING AND DESIGN, USING MATERIALS WHICH ARE APPROPRIATE TO THE LOCALITY AND REFLECT THE CHARACTER OF THE AREA.

- C11 DEVELOPMENT WHICH WOULD HAVE A SIGNIFICANT DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON NON-STATUTORY SITES OR AREAS SUCH AS AREAS OF HIGH ECOLOGICAL VALUE, COUNTY WILDLIFE SITES, OR OTHER NON-STATUTORY SITES WHICH ARE OF LOCAL RATHER THAN NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE OR GEOLOGICAL IMPORTANCE, WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED WHERE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DEVELOPMENT OUTWEIGHS THE LOCAL NATURE CONSERVATION INTERESTS PRESENT. WHERE PERMISSION IS GRANTED, CONDITIONS WILL BE USED TO ENSURE THAT HARM TO WILDLIFE OR GEOLOGICAL INTERESTS IS MINIMISED AND TO SECURE REPLACEMENT VALUE FOR ANY LOST HABITATS OR FEATURES. THIS WILL BE PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT WHERE THE HABITAT OR SPECIES IS SUBJECT TO A BIODIVERSITY ACTION PLAN.
- C21 PROPOSALS FOR DIVERSIFYING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND TRADITIONAL FARMING ACTIVITIES WILL BE PERMITTED PROVIDED THAT:
 - (i) ACCESS IS SUITABLE AT ALL TIMES OF THE YEAR;
 - (ii) THE PROPOSAL WILL NOT PREJUDICE THE VIABILITY OF NEARBY VILLAGE SHOPS;
 - (iii) THE PROPOSAL DOES NOT RESULT IN INAPPROPRIATE LEVELS OF TRAFFIC GENERATION:
 - (iv) ANY BUILDING NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE NEW ACTIVITY IS OF AN APPROPRIATE SCALE TO THAT ACTIVITY AND OF A HIGH STANDARD OF DESIGN; AND
 - (v) THERE IS NO ADVERSE IMPACT OF THE ACTIVITY OR ANY BUILDING ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACTIVITY ON EITHER THE LANDSCAPE, THE LOCAL BUILT ENVIRONMENT OR NATURE CONSERVATION INTERESTS.