

RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES

ADOPTED WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON STRUCTURE PLAN 2016

POLICY C1 - NATURE CONSERVATION

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.

POLICY C5 - THE WATER ENVIRONMENT

THE WATER ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING SURFACE WATERS, FLOODPLAINS AND GROUNDWATER RESOURCES, SHOULD BE PROTECTED BY THE CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT. THE STRATEGIC PLANNING AUTHORITIES WILL SUPPORT INITIATIVES WHICH SEEK TO PROTECT, RESTORE OR ENHANCE THE NATURAL ELEMENTS OF THE RIVER OR WATERWAY ENVIRONMENT, AND WHICH IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND EFFICIENT USE OF WATER.

POLICY 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
5. 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.

POLICY W1 - REDUCING, RE-USING AND RECOVERING WASTE

REDUCTION OF VOLUMES OF WASTE REQUIRING DISPOSAL WILL BE SOUGHT BY ENCOURAGING INITIATIVES TO MINIMISE THE PRODUCTION OF WASTE, AS WELL AS MAXIMISING THE RE-USE OF MATERIALS AND THE RECYCLING OF HOUSEHOLD, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND CONSTRUCTION WASTE.

POLICY W3 - PROVISION OF ADEQUATE WASTE FACILITIES

PROVISION FOR AN ADEQUATE NETWORK OF WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES SHOULD BE MADE HAVING REGARD TO:

1. MEETING THE WASTE MANAGEMENT NEEDS OF THE PLAN AREA
2. THE PROXIMITY OF THE FACILITIES TO THE SOURCE OF THE WASTE
3. MAKING A CONTRIBUTION, WHERE APPROPRIATE, TOWARDS ACHIEVING REGIONAL SELF SUFFICIENCY
4. ACHIEVING THE BEST PRACTICABLE ENVIRONMENTAL OPTION

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 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 AN 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;

- (l) 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 8 - RESTORATION AND AFTERCARE OF SITES

PLANNING PERMISSION FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT WHERE REINSTATEMENT IS REQUIRED WILL ONLY BE GRANTED IF:

- (a) THE PROPOSALS PROVIDE FOR SATISFACTORY RESTORATION OF THE SITE AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE OPPORTUNITY TO AN APPROPRIATE LANDFORM AND LANDSCAPE CHARACTER CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING A BENEFICIAL AFTER-USE; AND
- (b) WHERE APPROPRIATE, A SCHEME OF AFTERCARE FOR THE SITE IS PROVIDED.

POLICY 21 - LANDRAISE FACILITIES

THERE WILL BE A GENERAL PRESUMPTION AGAINST LANDRAISING PROPOSALS UNLESS THE APPLICATION DEMONSTRATES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE WPAs THAT THE PROPOSAL:

- (a) WILL NOT RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT UPON THE LANDSCAPE;
- (b) IS NECESSARY FOR OPERATIONAL OR RESTORATION PURPOSES AT EXISTING LANDFILL/LANDRAISE SITES OR IS NECESSARY TO SATISFACTORILY RESTORE PREVIOUSLY DEVELOPED LAND;
- (c) PROVIDES FOR ON-SITE RECOVERY OF WASTE WHEREVER THIS WOULD ACHIEVE THE BPEO;
- (d) 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
- (e) COMPLIES WITH POLICIES 1, 2 AND 5 TO 10 OF THIS PLAN.

WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT PLAN (1ST ALTERATION JUNE 2004)

POLICY C3 - SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS

SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS, AS DEFINED ON THE PROPOSALS MAPS, ARE IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:-

- A SALISBURY PLAIN
- B THE CORSLEY HEATH TO CHAPMANSLADE GREENSAND RIDGE
- C THE HIGHER LAND OF THE SPYE AND BOWOOD PARKLANDS
- D THE RIVER FROME VALLEY AT VAGGS HILL
- E THE SOUTHERN FRINGES OF THE COTSWOLDS NOT COVERED BY AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY DESIGNATION

THE LANDSCAPE CHARACTER OF SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS WILL BE CONSERVED AND ENHANCED AND DEVELOPMENT WILL NOT BE PERMITTED WHICH IS CONSIDERED TO BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE HIGH QUALITY OF THESE LANDSCAPES.

PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT ESSENTIAL TO THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE RURAL COMMUNITY OR DESIRABLE FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF ITS AMENITIES WILL BE PERMITTED HAVING REGARD TO HIGHWAYS, ACCESS, SCALE, DESIGN, MATERIALS, LOCATION, SITING, LANDSCAPING AND OTHER APPROPRIATE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS.

POLICY U4 - GROUNDWATER SOURCE PROTECTION AREAS

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED WHICH WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT WATER RESOURCES, IN PARTICULAR THE GROUNDWATER SOURCE PROTECTION AREAS AS DEFINED BY THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY AND SHOWN ON THE PROPOSALS MAP.