## **RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES**

# **ADOPTED WILTSHIRE STRUCTURE PLAN 2016**

#### **FORESTRY AND WOODLANDS**

C11 THE PLANTING OF NEW WOODLANDS AND THE EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF EXISTING WOODLAND AREAS WILL BE ENCOURAGED, PARTICULARLY WHERE THIS RETAINS OR ENHANCES AMENITY, PROVIDES RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES, IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE LANDSCAPE CHARACTER, AND WILL NOT LEAD TO LOSS OF AN EXISTING WILDLIFE RESOURCE OR DAMAGE TO AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE.

THE CONSERVATION OF BROADLEAVED WOODLANDS AND THE RETENTION OF SMALL WOODS WILL BE GIVEN SPECIAL CONSIDERATION.

ALL OF THE ABOVE WILL BE GIVEN A HIGH PRIORITY WITHIN THE AREA DEFINED AS THE GREAT WESTERN COMMUNITY FOREST, BRAYDON FOREST AND AREAS WHICH ARE EASILY ACCESSIBLE FROM OTHER URBAN CENTRES IN THE COUNTY.

# REDUCING, RE-USING AND RECOVERING WASTE

W1 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.

### PROVISION OF RECYCLING AND RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITIES

W2 IN ORDER TO INCREASE RECYCLING AND RECOVERY OF RESOURCES FROM WASTE, PROPOSALS FOR THE RECYCLING OR THE RECOVERY OF ENERGY FROM WASTE WILL BE FAVOURABLY CONSIDERED, SUBJECT TO THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT.

## **PROVISION OF ADEQUATE WASTE FACILITIES**

- W3 PROVISION FOR AN ADEQUATE NETWORK OF WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES SHOULD BE MADE HAVING TO 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.

#### **GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL CRITERIA**

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 3: STRATEGIC WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES**

STRATEGIC WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES (OTHER THAN LANDFILL/LANDRAISE AND INCINERATION WITHOUT ENERGY RECOVERY) WILL BE PERMITTED AT THE LOCATIONS IN SCHEDULE 1 PROVIDED THE APPLICATION DEMONSTRATES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE WPAS THAT THE PROPOSAL COMPLIES WITH POLICIES 1, 2 AND 5 TO 10 OF THIS PLAN.

SUCH PROPOSALS SHALL INCLUDE PROVISION FOR THE ON-SITE RECOVERY OF WASTE MATERIALS WHERE APPROPRIATE TO ACHIEVE THE BPEO. WHERE PROPOSALS ARE FOR FACILITIES THAT FALL BELOW RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING IN THE WASTE HIERARCHY, THE APPLICANT MUST DEMONSTRATE THAT THE PROPOSAL WILL NOT COMPETE FOR WASTE ARISINGS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE RECYCLED OR COMPOSTED OR FOR WHICH CAPACITY IS LIKELY TO BE PROVIDED WITHIN THE PLAN PERIOD FOR RECYCLING OR COMPOSTING. PROPOSALS FOR STRATEGIC FACILITIES AT LOCATIONS NOT IDENTIFIED IN SCHEDULE 1 WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED:

- (A) WHERE IT CAN BE DEMONSTRATED THAT THE PREFERRED AREAS FOR STRATEGIC FACILITIES ARE NO LONGER EITHER AVAILABLE OR SUITABLE FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT; OR
- (B) WHERE THE PROPOSAL WOULD MEET A STRATEGIC REQUIREMENT NOT PROVIDED FOR IN SCHEDULE 1; OR

(C) WHERE IT CAN BE DEMONSTRATED THAT THE PROPOSAL WOULD BE THE BPEO FOR THE AREA IT WOULD SERVE, AND WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE BPEO FOR THE PLAN AREA AND THE REGION AS A WHOLE.

# 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.

# **NORTH WILTSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2011**

#### **NE12 WOODLAND**

THE CREATION, CONSERVATION, ENHANCEMENT AND POSITIVE MANAGEMENT OF WOODLANDS ACROSS THE DISTRICT WILL BE SUPPORTED. IN PARTICULAR, AREAS OF ANCIENT AND SEMI-NATURAL WOODLAND SHOULD BE PROTECTED. THE RETENTION OF THE VISUAL AMENITY AND NATURE CONSERVATION VALUE WILL BE SOUGHT IN PARTICULAR AT THE FOLLOWING:

- (I) BIRD'S MARSH WOOD, CHIPPENHAM
- (II) VINCIENT'S WOOD, CHIPPENHAM
- (III) POCKEREDGE DRIVE WOOD, CORSHAM
- (IV) WOODLAND WITHIN BRAYDON FOREST

## **NE13 THE GREAT WESTERN COMMUNITY FOREST**

DEVELOPMENT SHALL ONLY BE PERMITTED WHERE IT DOES NOT PREJUDICE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GREAT WESTERN COMMUNITY FOREST PLAN.