#### **RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES**

#### WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON STRUCTURE PLAN 2016 (ADOPTED APRIL 2006)

- 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.
- W3 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.
- 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 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;
- (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 9 WASTE ELIMINATION, REDUCTION AND RE-USE

FAVOURABLE CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS REQUIRED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELIMINATING, REDUCING OR RE-USING WASTE, OR WHICH INCORPORATE WASTE MINIMISATION AND RE-USE MEASURES.

# POLICY 23 HAZARDOUS AND CLINICAL WASTE TREATMENT FACILITIES

THE WPAS WILL PERMIT THE DEVELOPMENT AND EXTENSION OF EXISTING SITES FOR HAZARDOUS AND CLINICAL WASTE TREATMENT FACILITIES, PROVIDED THE APPLICATION COMPLIES WITH POLICIES 1, 2 AND 5 TO 10 OF THIS PLAN.

DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SITES FOR HAZARDOUS AND CLINICAL WASTE TREATMENT FACILITIES WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED ON LAND WITHIN GENERAL INDUSTRIAL AREAS OR ON APPROPRIATELY LOCATED, PREVIOUSLY USED OR DEVELOPED LAND OR BUILDINGS. APPLICATIONS SHOULD DEMONSTRATE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE WPA THAT THE PROPOSAL:

(A) CANNOT FEASIBLY BE CARRIED OUT WITHIN THE CAPACITY OF EXISTING SITES AND BUILDINGS:

- (B) CANNOT BE ACCOMMODATED AS AN EXTENSION TO EXISTING SITES;
- (C) COMPLIES WITH POLICIES 1, 2 AND 5 TO 10 OF THIS PLAN.

### **NORTH WILTSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2011**

#### **C1 SUSTAINABILITY CORE POLICY**

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS WILL BE EXAMINED FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE AGAINST THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLES SET OUT BELOW.

WHERE PERFORMANCE ON ANY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PRINCIPLE IS CONSIDERED TO BE LOW, DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS WILL NEED TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE BENEFITS OF THE DEVELOPMENT SUBSTANTIALLY OUTWEIGH THE DISADVANTAGES OF NOT MEETING ALL THE CRITERIA.

- (i) PROMOTES OR MAINTAINS THE LONG TERM ECONOMIC HEALTH OF THE LOCAL ECONOMY
- (ii) PROMOTES OR MAINTAINS SOCIALLY INCLUSIVE COMMUNITIES AND THEIR ACCESS TO COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE
- (iii) PROMOTES OR MAINTAINS THE QUALITY OF THE NATURAL AND THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT
- (iv) DEMONSTRATES THE PRUDENT USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND INCORPORATES, WHERE RELEVANT, RECYCLING, RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES.

#### C3 DEVELOPMENT CONTROL CORE POLICY

NEW DEVELOPMENT WILL BE PERMITTED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- (i) RESPECT FOR THE LOCAL CHARACTER AND DISTINCTIVENESS OF THE AREA WITH REGARD TO THE DESIGN, SIZE, SCALE, DENSITY, MASSING, MATERIALS, SITING AND LAYOUT OF THE PROPOSAL;
- (ii) RESPECT FOR THE QUALITY OF THE NATURAL AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT, ARCHAEOLOGY AND ECOLOGY OF THE LOCALITY AND WHERE NECESSARY INCLUDE MEASURES FOR THE PRESERVATION OR ENHANCEMENT OF SUCH FEATURES;
- (iii) AVOID CREATING DEVELOPMENTS WITH UNACCEPTABLE LOW LEVELS OF PRIVACY AND AMENITIES AND AVOID THE UNACCEPTABLE LOSS OF PRIVACY AND AMENITIES TO ADJACENT DWELLINGS OR OTHER USES TO THE DETRIMENT OF EXISTING OCCUPIERS' DEVELOPMENT;
- (iv) ENSURE ACCESS INTO AND WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT IS SAFE, MINIMISES THE RISK FROM CRIME, AND IS CONVENIENT AND ATTRACTIVE TO PEDESTRIANS, CYCLISTS, AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES;

- (v) INCORPORATE ENERGY CONSERVATION FEATURES AND DESIGN PRINCIPLES TO PROMOTE THE USE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES AND PRIORITISE THE USE OF LOCAL, NATURAL AND RECYCLED MATERIALS, PROVIDE SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS FOR EFFICIENT WATER SUPPLY, USE AND DISPOSAL AND PROPOSALS FOR THE STORAGE, COLLECTION AND RECYCLING OF REFUSE;
- (vi) PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE PATTERNS OF DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL REDUCE THE OVERALL NEED TO TRAVEL AND SUPPORT INCREASED USE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT, CYCLING AND WALKING;
- (vii) HAVE A SATISFACTORY MEANS OF ACCESS, TURNING, CAR PARKING AND SECURE CYCLE STORAGE AND NOT RESULT IN A DETRIMENTAL IMPACT UPON HIGHWAY OR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY;
- (viii) AVOID OVERLOADING OF EXISTING OR PROPOSED SERVICES AND FACILITIES, THE LOCAL ROAD NETWORK OR OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE;
- (ix) AVOID LOCATIONS THAT WOULD GENERATE, OR BE SUBJECT TO, A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT UPON PUBLIC HEALTH OR POLLUTION TO THE ENVIRONMENT BY THE EMISSION OR PRODUCTION OF EXCESSIVE NOISE, LIGHT INTRUSION, SMOKE, FUMES, EFFLUENT, VIBRATION, WASTE OR LITTER.