APPENDIX 2

RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES

WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON STRUCTURE PLAN 2016 (April 2006)

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.

WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON WASTE LOCAL PLAN 2011 (March 2005)

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;

(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.

WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON MINERALS LOCAL PLAN (NOVEMBER 2001)

POLICY 13

RESIDENTIAL AMENITY

MINERALS DEVELOPMENT WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED WHEN THE PROPOSALS SAFEGUARD THE AMENITY AND CHARACTER OF ANY NEARBY DWELLINGS AND SETTLEMENTS BY INCLUDING:

1. A SCHEME OF WORKING TO MINIMISE THE PERIOD OF OPERATIONS IN SENSITIVE AREAS; AND,

2. PROVISION FOR AN ADEQUATE BUFFER ZONE TO THE WORKINGS INCORPORATING LANDSCAPING AND PLANTING, APPROPRIATE TO THE EXISTING LANDSCAPE AND CONSISTENT WITH THE PROPOSED AFTERUSE OF THE SITE, THAT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO MINIMISE ANY SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE AMENITY IMPACTS.