

RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES

WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT PLAN (ADOPTED MARCH 1996)

- C3 SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS, AS DEFINED ON THE PROPOSALS MAP, 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 AT VAGGS HILL
- E THE SOUTHERN FRINGES OF THE COTSWOLDS NOT COVERED BY AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY DESIGNATION

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL CONSERVE AND ENHANCE THE LANDSCAPE CHARACTER OF THE SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS AND WILL APPLY STRUCTURE PLAN POLICY C4 TO THE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS.

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL NOT PERMIT DEVELOPMENT IN A SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREA CONSIDERED TO BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE SPECIAL LANDSCAPE CHARACTER.

PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT ESSENTIAL TO THE RURAL ECONOMY 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.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS WILL BE PERMITTED SUBJECT TO THE CONSIDERATIONS EXPRESSED IN POLICY C9.

- C5 DEVELOPMENT AFFECTING SITES OF SCIENTIFIC INTEREST (SSSI), INCLUDING THOSE SHOWN ON THE PROPOSALS MAP AND LISTED BELOW, WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED WHERE THE DISTRICT COUNCIL IS SATISFIED THAT THE PROPOSALS CAN BE SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS WHICH PREVENT DAMAGING IMPACTS ON WILDLIFE HABITATS OR IMPORTANT PHYSICAL FEATURES OR IF OTHER MATERIAL FACTORS ARE SUFFICIENT TO OVERRIDE THE SPECIAL NATURE CONSERVATION INTEREST.

- A MIDFORD VALLEY WOODS
- B GRIPWOOD QUARRY
- C SPYE PARK
- D BRATTON DOWN

- E WESTBURY IRONSTONE QUARRY
- G CLEY HILL
- H SCRATCHBURY AND COTLEY HILLS
- I STARVEALL AND STONY DOWN
- J BRIMSDOWN HILL
- K TYTHERINGTON DOWN
- L STOCKTON WOOD AND DOWN
- M INWOOD, WARLEIGH
- N PICKET AND CLANGER WOOD
- O WINSLEY MINE (CANDIDATE SPECIAL AREA OF CONSERVATION)
- P UPTON COW DOWN
- Q SALISBURY PLAIN (ALSO SPECIAL PROTECTION AREA FOR WILD BIRDS AND CANDIDATE SPECIAL AREA OF CONSERVATION)
- R LONGLEAT WOODS

DESIGNATED OR POTENTIAL SITES OF INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE, SUCH AS SPECIAL PROTECTION AREAS OF WILD BIRDS (SPA), OR CANDIDATE SPECIAL AREAS OF CONSERVATION (SACs), WILL BE AFFORDED THE SAME PROTECTION AS SSSIs. THE DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL NOT PERMIT DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERED DETRIMENTAL TO THEIR SPECIAL INTEREST UNLESS THERE IS NO SUITABLE ALTERNATIVE AND THERE ARE IMPERATIVE REASONS OF OVERRIDING PUBLIC INTEREST. WHERE SUCH SITES HOST PRIORITY HABITATS OR SPECIES, LISTED IN THE EC HABITATS DIRECTIVE, DEVELOPMENT WILL ONLY BE PERMITTED IF REQUIRED FOR REASONS OF HUMAN HEALTH, PUBLIC SAFETY OR BRING BENEFICIAL CONSEQUENCES OF PRIMARY IMPORTANCE TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

- C6 THE DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL APPLY STRUCTURE PLAN POLICY C12 TO SITES OF NATURE CONSERVATION IMPORTANCE (SNCIs) AND TO THE AREAS OF HIGH ECOLOGICAL VALUE (AHEV) WITHIN THE WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT, AS DEFINED ON THE PROPOSALS MAP, INCLUDING:

- A THE COTSWOLDS
- B SPYE PARK
- C SALISBURY PLAIN WEST
- D THE DEVERILLS
- E SALISBURY AVON RIVER SYSTEM
- F GROVELY/GREAT RIDGE

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL PROTECT THESE SITES AND AREAS FROM DETRIMENTAL DEVELOPMENT AND WILL NOT PERMIT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS IN OR NEAR THE AHEVs OR SNCIs WHICH IS CONSIDERED HARMFUL TO THE ECOLOGICAL INTEREST OF THESE SCARCE AND VULNERABLE HABITATS OR WOULD RESULT IN THE SERIOUS LOSS OF FLORA AND FAUNA.

WHERE THESE LOCALLY IMPORTANT AREAS ARE ALSO DESIGNATED SSSIs or SPAs, DISTRICT PLAN POLICY C5 WILL ALSO APPLY.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS WILL BE PERMITTED PROVIDED THEY DO NOT HARM ECOLOGICAL INTERESTS OR RESULT IN SERIOUS LOSS OF FLORA OR FAUNA.

WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN DEPOSIT
FIRST ALTERATION (OCTOBER 1998)

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THE DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL CONSERVE AND ENHANCE THE LANDSCAPE CHARACTER OF THE SPECIAL LANDSCAPE AREAS AND WILL NOT PERMIT DEVELOPMENT 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.

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- C6 THE DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL PROTECT AREAS OF HIGH ECOLOGICAL VALUE (AHEVs) AND SITES OF NATURE CONSERVATION INTEREST (SNCIs) FROM DETRIMENTAL DEVELOPMENT. THE AHEVs HAVE BEEN DEFINED ON THE PROPOSALS MAP:

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WILTSHIRE STRUCTURE PLAN (2011)

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

WILTSHIRE AND SWINDON WASTE LOCAL PLAN 2011 **REVISED DEPOSIT DRAFT**

Note: This document is the ~~First~~ Revised Deposit Draft of the Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Local Plan 2011. Changes made are shown as follows:

deletions are shown in ~~strike-through~~
additions are shown in underlined italics

~~General~~ Policies for BPEO and Need

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) maximise 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 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 ~~that will have significant adverse impacts~~ will only be permitted ~~, the proposal complies with other relevant Policies of this Plan and~~ 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 ~~required to achieve satisfactory restoration~~. needed for operational or restoration purposes

and where the need for the development outweighs any material planning objections.

Policy 3

Strategic Waste Management Facilities

Strategic waste management facilities (other than landfill/landraise) will be permitted at the locations in Schedule 1 provided the application demonstrates to the satisfaction of the WPAs that the proposal complies with ~~other relevant~~ Policies 1, 2 and 5 to 10 of this Plan. 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.

Policy 5

Safeguarding Preferred Areas and Waste Sites

~~Proposals for non waste related development within or adjacent to the Preferred Areas will only be permitted where it is demonstrated that the proposals would not effectively remove the capability of the site for either strategic (Schedule 1 sites) or local (Schedule 2 sites) waste related development.~~

The Waste Planning Authorities will seek to safeguard the following sites for waste management facilities:

- (a) the Preferred Areas listed in Schedules 1 and 2 (policies 3 and 4);
- (b) existing waste facilities listed in Appendices 6, 7, 8 and 9, where these are appropriate for continued use; and
- (c) other sites where planning permission is granted for waste management facilities.

The Waste Planning Authorities will oppose proposals for development within or adjacent to these sites, where it is demonstrated that they would prevent use of the sites for waste management facilities.

Where sites are also identified for employment uses in District Council Local Plans, the Waste Planning Authorities will only oppose proposals for employment development where they would prevent waste development that has planning permission.

Policy 6

Environmental Protection, Human Health, and Amenity and Transport

Proposals for waste management facilities will only be permitted where it can be demonstrated that there will be is no significant adverse impact on the ~~surrounding~~ environment, human health or amenity. Applicants will need to demonstrate in their application that their proposals ~~have had due regard to~~ fulfil the following requirements:

- a) Safeguarding the amenity and character of any nearby dwellings, ~~and settlements~~ and other nearby, sensitive land uses, including urban green spaces, the countryside and degraded areas;
- b) Appropriate design of the site, buildings, structures and access roads, to minimise impact on adjoining land uses;
- ~~b c)~~ The control of noise and light emissions and their impact on existing areas or ~~planned~~ committed noise or light sensitive development or areas;
- ~~e d)~~ The control of air emissions, including smell;
- ~~d e)~~ Control of the impacts of traffic movement on the ~~local~~ highway network and the use of strategic and local lorry routes;
- ~~e f)~~ ~~The~~ P -protection of the best and most versatile agricultural land;
- ~~f g)~~ ~~The~~ P Protection and enhancement of the water environment, including protection from flood risk and the efficient use of water;
- ~~g h)~~ ~~The~~ P Protection and enhancement of any affected designated sites of nature conservation, habitat and biodiversity, landscape, countryside, archaeological and/or cultural heritage importance, taking into account the ~~significance~~ objectives of the designations;

- ~~i) Protection of other features identified as being important for biodiversity, and any rare and protected species;~~
 - ~~j) Protection of important local landscapes;~~
 - ~~k) Protection of the settings of listed buildings, conservation areas and scheduled monuments;~~
 - ~~l) Protection of other important archaeological remains, parks and gardens of historic interest and the Roundway Down Battlefield;~~
 - ~~m) Protection of other recreational, cultural and tourism assets;~~
 - ~~n) The safeguarding of rights of way;~~
 - ~~o) The safeguarding of canal and railway routes where their re-use may be achievable; and~~
 - ~~p) The requirement to safeguard airfields. and~~
- ~~the relevant provisions of the Development Plan.~~

Policy 7 Reducing Road Transportation

~~Favourable consideration will be given to~~ ~~P~~ proposals for waste management facilities which enable the transfer of waste from road transport to rail, river or canal, as part of an integrated transport network., ~~will be permitted providing the proposal complies with other relevant policies of the Development Plan.~~

Policy 8 Restoration and Aftercare of Sites

~~In considering proposals~~ Planning permission for waste management development where reinstatement is required, ~~Planning permission~~ 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 9 Waste Elimination, Reduction and Re-use

~~To assist in reducing the creation of waste, f~~ Favourable consideration will be given to planning applications for development proposals ~~and initiatives which are required for the purpose of minimising~~ eliminating, reducing or re-using waste, or which incorporate waste minimisation and re-use measures.

Policy 10
Waste Audits

Planning applications for development which ~~are~~ is expected to generate waste through the construction process and the subsequent operation/occupation of the development itself must be accompanied by a waste audit to include the following details:

- a) the type and volume of waste that the development process will generate;
- b) the steps to be taken to reduce, re-use and recycle any waste that is produced through the development process;
- c) the steps to be taken to minimise the use of raw materials in the development process;
- d) the steps to be taken to minimise the pollution potential of unavoidable waste;
- e) the steps to be taken to dispose of any unavoidable waste in an environmentally acceptable manner; ~~and~~
- f) the steps to be taken to ~~facilitate~~ ensure maximum waste recovery (eg recycling and composting) once the development is completed/occupied-;and
- g) proposals for the transport of waste created during the development process and subsequent use of the site.