



Minerals and Waste Joint Plan

Ref: MWJP/Reg 19/Nov2016

Dear Sir/Madam,

Minerals and Waste Joint Plan - Publication (November 2016 - December 2016)

Regulation 19 of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012

North Yorkshire County Council, City of York Council and the North York Moors National Park Authority have been working together to produce a Minerals and Waste Joint Plan covering all three planning authority areas. When finalised the new Joint Plan will help the three Authorities take decisions on planning applications for minerals and waste development over the period up to 31 December 2030. We are writing to you because you have either responded to previous consultations on this matter, or the Authorities believe you may have an interest in minerals and waste planning policy matters.

Work commenced on the Joint Plan in May 2013, with further rounds of consultation taking place through an Issues and Options consultation in February 2014, followed by a Supplementary Sites consultation in January 2015 and a Preferred Options consultation in November 2015. We have considered the responses received at all stages, together with other available evidence and are now publishing the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan and Policies Map, to provide an opportunity for representations to be made regarding legal compliance and the 'soundness' of the Joint Plan, before it is submitted for Examination in Public by an independent Planning Inspector.

The Joint Plan is being made available for representations from **9th November** until **21st December 2016** and all responses must be received by **5pm** on that day. **Please note representations received after the deadline cannot be taken into account.**

The published version of the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan and Policies Map, along with other proposed submission documents including a Sustainability Appraisal, can be viewed on the Joint Plan website: www.northyorks.gov.uk/mwconsult. Paper copies of the main documents are available to view at all public libraries across the Plan area, including mobile libraries and all main offices of the three Authorities, as well as at the District and Borough Council main offices and the National Park Centres.

Representations on the Joint Plan should be made in writing or electronically, preferably using the enclosed response form, which is also available in hard copy at the locations referred to above as well as via the Joint Plan Website www.northyorks.gov.uk/mwconsult. Responses can be either emailed to mwjointplan@northyorks.gov.uk or returned to us by post to the address at the bottom of this page.

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Any representations received will be considered alongside the published Joint Plan when it is submitted for Examination in Public. The purpose of the Examination is to consider whether the Joint Plan complies with relevant legal requirements for producing Local Plans, including the Duty to Cooperate, and meets the national tests of 'soundness' for Local Plans (see below). Therefore, representations submitted at this stage must only be made on these grounds and, where relevant, be supported with evidence to demonstrate why these tests have not been met.

Legal Compliance

To be legally compliant the Joint Plan has to be prepared in accordance with the Duty to Cooperate and legal and procedural requirements, including the 2011 Localism Act and Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

Soundness

Soundness is explained in paragraph 182 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The Inspector conducting the Examination in Public has to be satisfied that the Joint Plan is positively prepared, justified, effective and consistent with national policy:

Positively prepared: This means that the plan should be prepared based on a strategy which seeks to meet objectively assessed development and infrastructure requirements, including unmet requirements from neighbouring authorities where it is reasonable to do so and consistent with achieving sustainable development.

Justified: The plan should be the most appropriate strategy when considered against reasonable alternatives, based on proportionate evidence.

Effective: The plan should be deliverable over its period and based on effective joint working on cross-boundary strategic priorities.

Consistent with national policy: The plan should enable the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies in the NPPF.

To help you respond, a Guidance Note has been prepared, and has been provided with Part A of the response form. We recommend that you read this note fully before responding. Any representations received will be considered by an independent inspector as part of the Examination in Public.

If you would like to find out more about the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan, please visit our website: www.northyorks.gov.uk/mwjointplan or speak to a member of the team by using the contact details below.

Please note that even if you have responded to a previous stage of consultation on the Joint Plan, if you choose not to make a representation to this latest stage you will not have the right to appear at examination and have your views heard by the independent Inspector.

Yours faithfully



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