

Meeting:	<b>JOINT COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT</b>
Date:	10 September 2021
From:	Joint Officer Steering Group

## **NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAM WASTE LOCAL PLAN**

### **1 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report informs committee of progress with preparing the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan;

### **2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The County and City Councils are preparing a single joint Waste Local Plan to replace the Waste Core Strategy adopted by both Councils in December 2013. An initial consultation on the new Local Plan, including a 'Call for Sites' was completed in May 2020 and generated 270 comments and nine suggested waste management sites. Officers have compiled a summary of these responses which will feed into the next stage of the Waste Local Plan.
- 2.2 Underpinning the Plan is a Waste Needs Assessment which assesses the pattern of waste likely to be generated by households, commercial/industrial and construction/demolition sectors over the period to 2036. It then assesses the available capacity to manage this waste in the context of projected levels of recycling, other treatment and residual disposal and identifies the need or otherwise for additional capacity which the Plan will need to provide for. It is a vital part of the evidence base.
- 2.3 AECOM have been working on behalf of the two Councils to prepare the Waste Needs Assessment. A presentation was made to the Committee at its meeting in June on the emerging findings and they have now prepared a final report.
- 2.4 Work is now progressing on developing a Draft Waste Plan which will comprise strategic policies related to waste provision and general development management policies. It is not considered necessary for the plan to make site allocations for specific waste management or disposal purposes partly because of the lack of need for additional capacity in some regards and because of the limited interest from owners and developers in proposing sites. It is intended that the Plan should instead contain policies to help guide planning applications for waste processing development to appropriate locations and criteria-based policies to promote high-quality development and design.
- 2.5 The Draft Plan policies are expected to be ready by the end of September to present to a meeting of the Joint Councillor Working Group (comprising two members from each Council) and then to be taken through each Council's

approval process to seek approval to carry out public consultation on the Draft Plan. A meeting of the Joint Member Working Group is currently being arranged. Subject to appropriate approvals, the Plan will be launched for consultation early in the new year.

- 2.6 The Plan will then be amended as needed, formally published and submitted for independent examination before it can be adopted by each Council
- 2.7 Councillors have expressed an interest in viewing a waste management facility. This is currently being arranged but is likely to take place later in the year following the meeting of the Working Party which is needed to consider the Draft Local Plan This will hopefully comprise a visit to the Energy from Waste Plant at Eastcroft, Nottingham and a waste processing plant at Colwick.

### **3 RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Joint Committee note the progress on the production of the Waste local Plan.

### **4 BACKGROUND PAPERS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

- 4.1 None.

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