

Meeting:	JOINT COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT
Date:	9 March 2018
From:	Joint Officer Steering Group

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MINERALS LOCAL PLAN and NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAM WASTE LOCAL PLAN UPDATES

1 SUMMARY

1.1 This report informs committee of progress with preparing:

- The Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan.
- The Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan;

2 BACKGROUND

Minerals

2.1 Following withdrawal of the Minerals Local Plan from examination in May, the County Council has begun to prepare a revised Minerals Local Plan. It will cover the County (the City's minerals policies are included in its draft Part 2 Local Plan). The Plan has now been through the initial stage of consultation concerning Issues and Options which took place between 20 November 2017 and 14 January 2018.

2.2 There were 88 respondents to the Issues and Options consultation and responses are currently being assessed and logged prior to being published on the County Councils website. The main issues emerging concerned:

- a) Level of provision in the Plan for sand and gravel: - whilst responses from the community consider the forecast demand for sand and gravel too high, mineral industry representatives consider the forecast is too low;
- b) Extensions versus new quarries – most respondents consider all proposals should be assessed on their merits, rather than priority being afforded eg to extensions;
- c) Geographical spread of sites: there was clear support for a geographical spread of future sites, subject to environmental considerations.

2.3 A call for sites was also made in association with the Issues and Options stage. In total 24 sites were submitted by mineral operators or landowners. This is made up of 14 new quarries and 10 extensions and involves potential sites for extraction of sand and gravel, Sherwood sandstone, Clay and Gypsum.

2.4 Responses to the consultation on policy options and call for sites are now being assessed. It is proposed to carry out further community involvement on preferred options for the plan in the summer. The following timetable has been set for completion of subsequent stages:

- Consultation on Draft Plan proposals / Preferred Options June 2018
- Publication/Submission - November 2018 /January 2019
- Examination March/July 2019
- Adoption – October 2019

Waste

- 2.5 The County and City Councils have agreed to prepare a single Joint Waste Local Plan to replace the Waste Core Strategy, adopted by both Councils in December 2013. The proposed Plan will provide updated strategic planning policies for the development of future waste management facilities, set out detailed development management policies and where necessary, identify specific sites appropriate for waste treatment and disposal.
- 2.6 The timetable for the new Local Plan is set out in the County Council's Local Development Scheme (August 2017) and will also be reflected in the City Council's forthcoming Local Development Scheme.
- Consultation on Issues and Options - April 2019
 - Consultation on Draft Plan proposals - October / November 2019
 - Publication and Submission - April / June 2020
 - Adoption - February 2021
- 2.7 Until the new Plan is in place, planning applications will be determined against the adopted Joint Core Strategy 2013, alongside key policies from the existing Waste Local Plan (Jan 2002) which have been saved.
- 2.8 No work has commenced as yet. This will be picked up at the end of 2018.

3 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Joint Committee note the contents of this report.

4 BACKGROUND PAPERS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 4.1 None.

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