

Response to Surrey County Council's Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan consultation

Summary

The report sets out the response to Surrey County Council's consultation on the Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan 2018. The consultation began on Wednesday 1st November 2017 and ends on Wednesday 7th February 2018.

The Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan has implications for future waste management infrastructure within Surrey Heath and for air pollution and traffic associated with waste management infrastructure proximal to the Borough's Eastern border. The consultation document and annexes are available online at:

www.surreycc.gov.uk/newwasteplan

Whilst there are no shortlisted sites within Surrey Heath, objections are raised in respect of the Surrey Waste Local Plan making provisions for the possibility of waste related development to be located on established employment sites. The sites shortlisted for the delivery of waste management infrastructure are generally welcomed, but it is noted that appropriate measures will need to be taken to mitigate the potential impacts of two sites shortlisted that are close to the Borough's Eastern border, due to the possible implications for air quality and transport.

Portfolio: Community

Date Portfolio Holder signed off report: 18 December 2017

Wards Affected

ALL

Recommendation

The Executive is advised to RESOLVE to agree the response set out in the letter at Annex 1 of this report as the Council's formal response to Surrey County Council's consultation on the Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan.

1. Resource Implications

- 1.1 There are no resource implications beyond that provided for within the agreed budget for 2017/18.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 Surrey County Council is consulting on the content of the draft spatial strategy, draft policies and proposed sites, as well as the revised vision and objectives within the Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan. The content relating to Surrey Heath Borough Council concerns policy changes and the shortlist of sites proposed for the delivery of waste management infrastructure.

- 2.2 Regarding changes to policy within the Surrey Waste Local Plan (SWLP), officers have considered the proposals from a Surrey Heath

perspective and raise the following key points:

- Surrey Heath Borough Council raises an objection to the new SWLP making provisions, through Policy 11, for the possibility of waste related development being located on established employment sites. Locating waste related development in such areas could have a significant detrimental impact on established areas of employment in the Borough.
- 2.3 Regarding the shortlisted sites proposed for the delivery of waste management infrastructure, officers have considered the proposals from a Surrey Heath perspective and raise the following key points:
- The sites shortlisted for delivery of waste management infrastructure are generally welcomed.
 - It is noted that with regard to two of the sites shortlisted in the draft SWLP (Land at Martyrs Lane, Woking, and Land adjacent to Trumps Farm, Kitsmead Lane, Longcross), appropriate measures will need to be taken by Surrey County Council to ensure that the potential impacts on transport networks and air quality in the East of Surrey Heath Borough Council are mitigated. Specifically, the potential for increases in road vehicle emissions to impact upon air quality, thereby affecting the sensitive habitats on the Thames Basin Heath Special Protection Area.

3. Options

3.1 The options for the Executive to consider are:-

- (i) To **AGREE** the response on the consultation for the Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan as set out in Annex 1 of this report.
- (ii) To **AGREE** the response on the consultation for the Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan as set out in Annex 1 of this report and any additional comments which the Executive may wish to make.
- (iii) To **NOT AGREE** the response on the consultation for the Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan as set out in Annex 1 of this report.

4. Proposals

4.1 It is proposed to submit the consultation response attached at Annex 1 by the 7th February 2018 deadline.

5. Corporate Objectives And Key Priorities

5.1 The proposals may affect the Council's ability to achieve the Objective for Prosperity, with changes in policy having the potential to affect the Council's capacity to support the local economy.

6. Policy Framework

- 6.1 The consultation process Surrey Heath is responding to will have implications for employment sites within the Borough and conflicts with Policy CP8 of the Core Strategy.

7. Other Matters

- 7.1 In relation to governance, sustainability, risk management, equalities impact, human rights, community safety, consultation, PR and Marketing there are no matters arising from this consultation by Surrey County Council.

8. Consultation

- 8.1 The Surrey Draft Waste Local Plan runs between 1st November 2017 and 7th February 2018.

Annexes	Annex 1 - letter to Surrey County Council's Planning and Development Services
Background Papers	None
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Consultations, Implications and Issues Addressed

Resources	Required	Consulted
Revenue	✓	
Capital		
Human Resources		
Asset Management		
IT		
Other Issues	Required	Consulted
Corporate Objectives & Key Priorities	✓	
Policy Framework		
Legal	✓	
Governance		
Sustainability	✓	
Risk Management		
Equalities Impact Assessment		
Community Safety		
Human Rights		
Consultation	✓	
P R & Marketing		

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