

Environment and Sustainability Committee

Thursday, 27 November 2014 at 14:00

County Hall, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP

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Meeting	Environment and Sustainability Committee
Date	Thursday 9 October 2014 (commencing at 2pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Jim Creamer (Chairman)

Richard Butler
Steve Calvert
Stan Heptinstall MBE
Roger Jackson

Bruce Laughton
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John Wilkinson

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A Alan Rhodes

OTHER COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Kay Cutts
Maureen Dobson

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Martin Gately	-	Democratic Services
Tim Gregory	-	Corporate Director, Environment and Resources
Sally Gill	-	Group Manager – Planning
Mick Allen	-	Group Manager Waste & Energy Management
Steven Osborne-James-		Principal Planning Officer
Lisa Bell	-	Team Manager Planning Policy

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2014, having been circulated to all Members, were agreed to be a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

MINERALS LOCAL PLAN – ADDITIONAL PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON SAND AND GRAVEL PROVISION

The local Member for Shelford gave her views on the issue.

RESOLVED 2014/036

- 1) That eight weeks public consultation on the potential inclusion of the Shelford West site into the Minerals Local Plan for future sand and gravel extraction be approved.
- 2) That the Group Manager, in consultation with the Chairman, be authorized to make any final minor drafting changes required prior to consultation

LOCAL NATURE PARTNERSHIP PRESENTATION

Mr Tony Walker of Toyota UK and Chair of the Lowland Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Local Nature Partnership made a detailed presentation to Members on the work of the partnership. Mr Walker stated that the Local Nature Partnership was trying to bring cross-sector consistency and unity of action to protect and develop our natural environment for the benefit of all society. Specifically, the role of the LNP is to: promote the greening of economic growth, embed the value of the natural environment in local decision making, promote sustainable land use and management, advise on strategic planning matters and enhance the quality of life health and wellbeing of citizens.

The Local Nature Partnership operates under a series of strategic themes which include Healthy Wildlife Populations – which seeks to improve ecological connectivity and quality (including reducing invasive species), Resilient Natural Defences – to create and improve natural flood prevention alongside engineered defences, Good Access to Nature for All – create and improve green infrastructure and recreation opportunities for tourist and potential employers and employees, Good Access to Nature for All – Develop and implement green infrastructure to promote healthy lifestyles and provide job and skill opportunities, Provision of Sustainable Food and Goods – promote sustainable farming and land management practice.

PERFORMANCE REPORT – ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT – 2013/14 OUT-TURN

RESOLVED 2014/037

That the report be noted.

PERFORMANCE REPORT – WASTE MANAGEMENT – 2013/14 OUT-TURN

RESOLVED 2014/038

That the report be noted.

RESPONSES ON PLANNING CONSULTATIONS

RESOLVED 2014/039

That the report be noted.

APSE ENERGY – ENERGY COMPANY OBLIGATION WORKSHOP
(ATTENDANCE OF THE CHAIRMAN)

RESOLVED 2014/040

That the feedback from the APSE Energy – Energy Company Obligation Workshop be noted.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2014/041

That the Work Programme be noted.

The meeting concluded at 4.15pm

Chairman

27 November 2014

Agenda Item: 4

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR POLICY, PLANNING AND CORPORATE SERVICES

MINERALS LOCAL PLAN – PETITION RECEIVED FOR OPPOSITION TO A QUARRY AT CODDINGTON

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider a response to the petition presented to the Chairman of the County Council at the Council meeting on 18th September 2014.

Information and Advice

2. Aggregate minerals (such as sand and gravel) make an essential contribution to national prosperity and quality of life. They help to underpin the construction industry and provide the critical raw materials for built development, other construction, manufacturing and the maintenance of infrastructure.
3. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) introduced the requirement for Mineral Planning Authorities to undertake a Local Aggregates Assessment (LAA) which states that:

“Minerals planning authorities should plan for a steady and adequate supply of aggregates by preparing an annual Local Aggregate Assessment, either individually or jointly by agreement with another or other mineral planning authorities, based on a rolling average of 10 years sales data”.

4. The Nottinghamshire Local Aggregates Assessment (LAA) was approved by this Committee in July 2013 and sets out the apportionment levels for each aggregate which in turn informs the Minerals Local Plan of the future requirements for each aggregate.
5. Preparation of the new Minerals Local Plan commenced in 2012 with a public consultation on the key issues and reasonable options facing the County Council.
6. A Preferred Approach consultation was undertaken between October and December 2013 which identified existing and proposed new sites for mineral extraction. This informal public consultation document identified a site at Coddington as a potential allocation for future sand and gravel extraction.
7. An additional public consultation which specifically considered sand and gravel extraction was undertaken between May and July 2014 with the proposed extraction site at Coddington

continuing to be identified as having the potential for future sand and gravel extraction to contribute to meeting the requirements set out in the Local Aggregates Assessment.

8. A large number of objections relating to the proposed site at Coddington were received during both consultations (October 2013 and May 2014). These totalled 157 individual responses plus 2 petitions containing a total of 121 names.
9. To ensure that the Local Plan is 'deliverable, achievable and realistic', evidence has been gathered and further studies undertaken including Strategic Transport Assessment, Sustainability Assessment, Habitat Regulation Assessment, Health Impact Assessment, Strategic Flood Risk Assessment etc.

PETITION: OPPOSITION TO A QUARRY AT CODDINGTON

10. A petition collected by the Coddington Against Gravel Extraction (CAGE) action group and other residents of Coddington containing 2255 signatures plus 271 signatures from an e-petition was presented to the County Council meeting on 18th September 2014 by Councillor Maureen Dobson. The petition is objecting to a proposed sand and gravel extraction site at Coddington which is identified in the Minerals Local Plan Preferred Approach consultation document.
11. The petition states:

"We, the undersigned, are strongly opposed to the proposed quarry at Coddington. We are extremely concerned:

 - *By the additional and unacceptable demands it will place on the already inadequate road infrastructure, leading to increased traffic congestion on the minor roads as well as on the A17, A46 and A1;*
 - *By the risk to health associated with poor air quality, noise and light pollution as a result of the quarry's close proximity; and*
 - *At the catastrophic environmental threat posed to Stapleford Wood and the associated negative impact on the local water table.*

Coddington Site MP20 is wholly unsuitable and we insist that it be removed from the Council's Minerals Local Plan."
12. The petition sets out the residents key concerns/issues relating to the following topics:
 - Deliverability: ownership and infrastructure;
 - Traffic: congestion, accidents and alternative forms of transport;
 - Environment: impacts on built environment, landscape, natural environment and local air quality;
 - Noise, Nuisance and visual intrusion
 - Health
 - Commercial: impact on economy, business growth, jobs and tourism.
13. The petition concludes with a "request that the proposed quarry site at Coddington (MP20) be removed from the County's Mineral Local Plan".
14. Details of the submitted petition can be found in Appendix 1

15. The petition dated 13th September 2014 was received by the County Council 2 months outside of the consultation period and as such cannot be formally registered through the plan making process. However, the issues raised within the petition have already been raised through the objections received within the time periods of the two previous public consultations and as such these issues will be considered as part of the Minerals Local Plan process. The lead names quoted on the front of the petition have all submitted individual comments to the Local Plan, within the consultation timescales, and as such these will be considered alongside all the comments received.
16. Officers are following due process in the preparation of the Minerals Local Plan as set out in the Town and Country Planning Act 2004 (and subsequent amendments) and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).
17. It is therefore proposed that the following response be sent to Coddington Against Gravel Extraction (CAGE) via the petition organiser:-

"The County Council acknowledge receipt of the petition dated 13th September 2014 in relation to the opposition to a quarry at Coddington. This has been received 2 months outside of the public consultation process and as such cannot be considered at this time. However, the issues raised within the petition have already been raised through previous objections received during the consultation stages and as such these issues will be considered as part of the process".

Next Steps

18. A further consultation on an additional sand and gravel site at Shelford West is currently underway and it is likely that a 'Submission Draft' document will then be prepared, taking into account any comments received on the issues and options, preferred approach document and the two additional consultations. Approval will be sought through Environment and Sustainability Committee and Full Council to publish it for a statutory six week period of consultation. The Minerals Local Plan, along with all representations received and other background information will then be formally submitted to the Secretary of State and subsequently will be subject to an independent examination by a Planning Inspector. The Inspector's role is to consider the 'soundness' of the whole plan.
19. If considered 'sound' then the Local Plan can be adopted.

Other Options Considered

20. Not to provide a response to the petition.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

21. To inform Committee of the petition presented to the County Council on 18th September 2014 and seek approval for an appropriate response to be sent to the petition organiser.

Statutory and Policy Implications

22. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Implications for Sustainability and the Environment

23. The production of a Minerals Local Plan and associated documents is a statutory requirement.

RECOMMENDATION/S

It is recommended that approval be given for the proposed response (detailed at paragraph 17 above) to be sent to Coddington Against Gravel Extraction (CAGE) via the petition organiser.

Jayne Francis-Ward
Corporate Director, Policy, Planning and Corporate Services

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Lisa Bell, Planning Policy Team Manager, ext 74547

Constitutional Comments (CEH 15.10.14)

24. The recommendation falls within the remit of the Environment and Sustainability Committee by virtue of its terms of reference. A report should be made back to the next Council meeting on the outcome of the consideration of the petition.

Financial Comments (SEM 17/10/14)

25. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

- Nottinghamshire Local Aggregates Assessment
- Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan Preferred Approach (October 2013);
- Additional consultation on Sand and Gravel Provision (May 2014)

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All

APPENDIX 1

OPPOSITION TO A QUARRY AT CODDINGTON

This document and the accompanying petition have been prepared for submission to Nottinghamshire County Council by the following residents of Coddington on behalf of CAGE (Coddington Against Gravel Extraction):

Robert Campbell

David Armstrong

Jackie Armstrong

Michael Bassey

Leon LeBlanc

Nerissa McDonald

Alan Marsden

Adrian Parrett

Donna Payne

and other residents who have worked with them in preparing this submission, in setting up our website with its e-petition, and in the painstaking work of collecting signatures.

13 September 2014

OPPOSITION TO A QUARRY AT CODDINGTON

Coddington Parish Council called a public meeting on 24 June to alert parishioners to the proposal for a sand and gravel quarry on the outskirts of the village. 120 people crammed into the Village Hall to voice what was universal opposition to the proposal. An Action Group was set up.

Subsequently 109 residents wrote to the Planning Group expressing concern: their objections are listed on the Council's website and appended (Annex III).

The Action Group formed six groups of residents inquiring into different aspects of the impact of a quarry on the locality. Their reports have been collated (with numbering for the convenience of discussion) and form the substance of this document.

The Action Group also formulated a petition as follows:

Petition to Nottinghamshire County Council

We, the undersigned, are strongly opposed to the proposed quarry at Coddington. We are extremely concerned:

- by the additional and unacceptable demands it will place on the already inadequate road infrastructure, leading to increased traffic congestion on the minor roads as well as on the A17, A46 and A1;
- by the risk to health associated with poor air quality, noise and light pollution as a result of the quarry's close proximity; and
- at the catastrophic environmental threat posed to Stapleford Wood and the associated negative impact on the local water table.

Coddington Site MP2o is wholly unsuitable and we insist that it be removed from the Council's Mineral Local Plan.

By 8 September 2255 signatures had been obtained from Coddington (prime concerns the hazards of proximity to the quarry) and Newark and surrounding areas (prime concerns the increase in traffic congestion): of these 750 signatures from Coddington represent 75% of the adult population. The collected signatures on this petition are submitted with this document (Annex I).

In addition an e-petition was put on the special website created by the Action Group (calling itself CAGE – Coddington against Gravel Extraction). This had 271 signatures by 8 September: perhaps 30 overlapping with paper petition. Comments made on this petition are also submitted herewith (Annex II).

We trust that the County Council will recognise that there is justified opposition to a gravel quarry at Coddington. We believe that no community should be subjected to these hazards. Quarries should be opened at a reasonable distance from habitation.

The proposed quarry site is within 2 km of all of Coddington village which is in a Conservation Area and includes Coddington primary school (400 children). It is about 4 km from the centre of our market town of Newark-on-Trent.

In the light of the following arguments Coddington Action Group requests that the proposal to include Coddington MP2o site in the Nottinghamshire Minerals Plan be removed.

CAGE 13 September 2014

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Appendices:

- I 2255 signatures on the petition
- II 93 comments posted on the e-petition
- III 109 objections submitted to the County Planning Group and posted on the Council's website

1. DELIVERABILITY OF CODDINGTON QUARRY SITE

1.1 There are significant challenges to the deliverability of the proposed Coddington Quarry site, both from the ownership structure of the parcels of land making up the site and from several strategically important infrastructures crossing the site.

1.2 Ownership structure

1.2.1 The ownership structure of the parcels of land at the site have been examined via the records at the Land Registry, making use of the INSPIRE spatial dataset combined with title documents and plans and show that:

1.2.2 The quarry site consists of 10 parcels of land owned by three families and one local charity, with varying rights within individual parcels based on the history of ownership.

1.2.3 The parcels sometimes have partial or full access to mineral and mining rights to a varying depth, but there can also be competing claims for these rights within the same title document:

- Some parcels have competing claims for the mineral rights from between one and three other parties.
- There are also restrictive covenants in place on some parcels that may prevent quarrying operations, including transport over the parcel, taking place at all.
- Some parcels of land have other restrictions in place that could either prevent quarrying or restrict the scope of work to allow continued rights of way or access for maintenance.

1.2.4 These factors will make it difficult to develop the site, and make it unlikely that the developer has the required agreements in place with all of the different parties involved across the 300 acre site.

1.3 Infrastructure

1.3.1 There are several important pieces of nationally or regionally strategic infrastructure crossing the site in roughly a North-South direction which will restrict development of the site by the requirement to retain clearance zones around them both for safety and to allow continuous access for maintenance and repair work on them.

1.3.2 The Government Pipeline and Storage System has a 6 to 8 inch bore pipeline from Rawcliffe in the East Riding to Sandy in Bedfordshire, which crosses the site. This is of national strategic importance as it is used to carry aviation fuel (at a high pressure of 50 bar) from Immingham to the airports at Heathrow and Gatwick. The pipeline is currently under the ownership of the Ministry of Defence, with covenants in place on relevant title documents to ensure suitable access is available at all times.

1.3.3 The National Grid has two nationally and regionally important assets crossing the site:

- A 400,000 volt transmission line running from the power stations at Cottam and West Burton down to supply points in the South of England; and,
- A high pressure natural gas pipeline which is part of the national gas distribution network across the country, connecting consumers to offshore and imported gas supplies.

1.3.4 Both of these assets will require clearance zones and access for maintenance and repairs, and would not be economic to relocate due to the very significant engineering and business disruption costs involved.

1.3.5 Also, Western Power Distribution own a local electricity high voltage distribution line running across the site, which would be a significant safety hazard for any large mobile plant moving underneath, and could also cause a difficulty for the distribution business if damage to the asset resulted in customers being disconnected from their electricity supply.

1.3.6 In addition to these north-south infrastructures there is also a requirement to protect the important Moor Brats Drain water course which runs across the site, causing additional challenges to the deliverability of the quarry site.

1.4 Deliverability?

1.4.1 The deliverability of the Coddington quarry site is questionable, both in terms of reaching the required agreements with landowners and minerals rights holders, and from the constraints imposed by the significant infrastructure and waterway crossing the site.

2. TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

2.1 Traffic congestion

2.1.1 One of Coddington's strong objections to the proposed Local Mineral Plan MP2o is the inadequate infrastructure of the road network in and around Newark-on-Trent. It will cause long delays, resulting in people avoiding the town, which could have an adverse impact on trade and businesses.

2.1.2 To the north east of Newark is the notoriously heavily congested A1/A46/A17 triangle, a current Pinch Point. The Newark relief road is the only single carriageway of the A46 trunk road, it has 3 key roundabouts, the only roundabouts between Lincoln and Leicester M1 and as reported there is no obvious solution to duelling this road, it will be near impossible due to geographical constraints, (railway lines, river Trent and flood plains).

2.1.3 Newark's relief road has to accommodate traffic from the A1, A17, A616, A617, A1133 and B6326 with a level crossing at the Castle Train Station, Nottingham to Lincoln train main line all adding to poor journey times.

2.1.4 The 2013 Traffic Count, average daily volume shows, B6166 to A17 (Bridge over A1, 0.4km) has 48,277 vehicles daily, of which 4,415 are HGV's, this is a higher volume than the A1 Trunk road.

2.1.5 The A1/A17/A46 junctions have seen an increase in traffic volume of 37% after completion of the duelling of the A46 Newark to Lincoln while other areas of Newark's road network have also seen increases of: A1 north of the A46 10%, A1 south of the A46 17%, B6166 through Newark 8%, C208 Beacon Hill Road to Coddington 22% and with the completion of the A46 duelling, Farndon to Widmerpool, similar figures are expected, thus putting greater pressure on Newark and its single carriage relief road.

2.1.6 Manual traffic counts have been carried out by the Coddington Action Group on the A17, 8th August 2014, 16.40 – 17.40 hrs, 1563 vehicles, 11th August 2014 13.00 – 14.00 hrs, 1110 vehicles of which 208 were HGV's.

2.2 Accidents

2.2.1 County Road Safety manager, Mrs Pam Shaw's report states that almost a fifth of all road casualties in Nottinghamshire occur in the Newark and Sherwood area and most of the fatalities are on the districts 'A' roads. The A1/A46/A17 junction is ranked in the top 10% nationally for casualties.

2.2.2 Along the proposed lorry route (A17) the junction with Drove Lane near Coddington has had a cluster of accidents with 5 fatalities involving HGV's 19th December 2008, 23 December 2008,

28th March 2011, 3rd January 2013. It is a staggered crossroad with no physical protection for vehicles or cyclists turning or crossing the junction, it is also unlit.

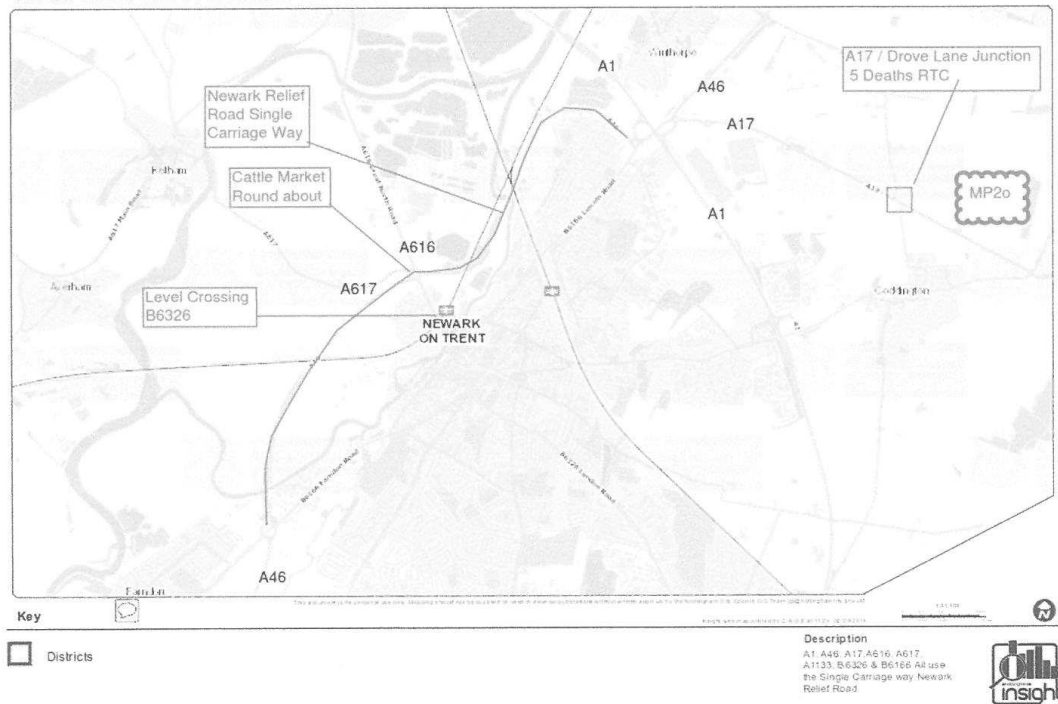
2.2.3 In 2000 there was an accident involving 2 young boys with cycles and a HGV, the boys were trying to cross the junction into Drove Lane, one was fatally injured.

2.2.4 During events at the Newark Showground this junction is deemed so hazardous that a Traffic Management Company has to be employed to control the junction with traffic lights and traffic is diverted between the 2 roundabouts, Stapleford Lane and Currys/Knowhow roundabout.

2.3 Alternative forms of transport

2.3.1 Government policy states that movements of aggregate materials should be, where possible, moved by rail and waterways to reduce carbon emissions, reduce road noise, airborne vibrations and effects on road verge habitats. It is deemed to be the most cost effective and environment way to transport aggregates over large distances.

Road Network of Newark on Trent



2.4 Visitors to Newark

2.4.1 The National Civil War Centre – Newark Museum hopes to attract 57,000 visitors per year, also a Heritage Trail with mobile technologies moving between Queens Sconce, The Castle, Southwell, and Thurgarton, will both add to the volume of traffic on the already congested roads.

2.4.2 When collecting signatures for our petition in Newark on two Saturday market days we were frequently told by visitors from Lincoln, Bingham, Grantham and nearby villages, that it is a nightmare driving into the town on shopping expeditions.

2.4.3 The A46 and A17 roads also have to accommodate extra holiday traffic in the summer and lorries and tractors en route to the sugar beet factory (B6326) in the winter months, and as reported these roads are at capacity now; any further large commercial business such as a quarry with the proposed 180+ vehicle movements per day would further exacerbate the problem.

2.4.4 Newark-on-Trent is a strategic point, it has the only river crossing between Nottingham and Dunham-on-Trent in Lincolnshire, traffic travelling north/south (A1), east/west (A46) and the A17 all culminate at Newark to cross the River Trent. Newark-on-Trent is rightly known as the 'Key to the North'.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

3.1 Impact on the built environment

- The site is within an area noted by English Heritage to have a high potential for non-designated archaeology; a Neolithic jadeite axe was found in a nearby field in 1955, and a Bronze-Age burial pot from the area is in Newark Museum.
- The site is known to be within the area in which there was a Civil War skirmish and the venue of a historic annual horse race 1619 -1877.
- Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC) admits that the historic continuity of the Sandlands is underestimated and underappreciated.
- The site is only 400 metres from Coddington Conservation Area, which recognises that all the Parish Lands have a value and clear organic unity vested in their shared history. Extracting gravel here would damage the heritage associations, landscape setting and tranquillity of the Conservation Area.
- The site would cause unacceptable noise and visual intrusion to many nearby properties.

3.2 Impact on the landscape

- Almost the entire landscape area classified by NCC as 'Notts East Sandlands' is 'minerals safeguarded' and under threat of destruction from sand and gravel extraction.
- The site is within the 'Winthorpe Farms' sub-area of the East Nottinghamshire Sandlands where the NCC Landscape Policy is "Conserve and Create".
- Coddington is a Mature Landscape Area (MLA) with important and varied tree cover including Mature Parkland facing the site. Landscape elements, including open rural approaches, are central to its Conservation Area.
- The site is predominantly Grade 2 and 3a agricultural land (best and most versatile land) and should be restored as such.
- There are no industrial sites in the parish - this industrial development would cause much more than a "moderate effect on the landscape" conceded by NCC.

3.3. Impact on the natural environment

- The site is populated by birds that are categorised as 'Rare and declining, farmland and woodland birds', including several on the red list.
- The site contains a Biological Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) known as Moor Brats Drain - categorised by NCC as 'A drain of interest for Water Beetles'.
- The site adjoins Stapleford Woods, which is a habitat for many moisture-loving plants on the NCC "Rare Plants Register, 2013". Effects on the water table are of grave concern to trees, flora and the woodland ecology.
- The site adjoins Moor Brats Woodland (predates 1835) and is close to an area of Ancient Woodland within Stapleford Woods and several areas of Deciduous Woodland (Priority BAP).
- The site is not far from other SINCS;

- Langford Moor, an area that has 'Valuable plant and animal communities along rides and in drainage ditches throughout this coniferous forestry plantation'
- 2/810 – Newark Golf Course 'A good mixed habitat association of acidic grassland, heath and deciduous woodland'
- Coddington Plantation unmanaged, mainly deciduous woodland of high botanical value".
- The northern end of the site has a high risk of flooding (from river water, Flood Zone 3)
- The soils have high leaching potential and groundwater quality may be at risk.
- The site is less than 3km from the Winthorpe Conservation Area which incorporates more mature parkland and streams (linked via watercourses that cross the MP20 site and flow beneath former Winthorpe Air Base).

3.4 Impact on local air quality

- The increase in traffic due to the proposed development, particularly HGVs, will have a negative impact on the air quality in and around Coddington.
- The Habitat Regulations Assessment indicates that the export routes from the site are likely to pass within 200m of several protected sensitive Natura 2000 sites.
- Increases in HGV Traffic have been underestimated in the MLP Draft Transport Assessment by using data for 28 tonne rather than 20 tonne loads. At normal production levels, there would be significant additional traffic amounting to 180-200 HGV journeys per day
- Pollution at local 'pinch points' such as the roundabouts along the A46/A1/A17 Newark bypass and the Newark area stretch of the A1 is of concern with elevated NO_x levels calculated by DEFRA as 30-40 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ as NO₂, (2012) and a reading of 37 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ as NO₂ at the intersection of the A1/A46.
- Elevated PM₁₀ levels of 17-20 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ track the A17, a wide corridor along the A1 and cover the triangle bounded by A1, A46 (to North Hykeham) and A17.
- Elevated PM_{2.5} levels of 12.5-15 $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ track the A1 at Newark, extending over Winthorpe and the western half of Coddington.

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4. NOISE NUISANCE & VISUAL INTRUSION

4.1 NOISE

4.1.1 Although parts of the village of Coddington already experience some noise from the A1 cutting, the majority of the village enjoys rural tranquillity with high levels of birdsong in village gardens. Owing to the topology, Newark Showground's large event tannoy system is occasionally audible to all areas of the village except perhaps Balderton Lane. This indicates the susceptibility of the village to noise – the quarry site will be much closer than the showground, the noise levels much higher, more continuous and experienced over a duration of 10 hours a day, up to 6 days a week and for 20 years. It will be virtually impossible to suppress the noise from the quarry and it is unlikely that banks and vegetation of any type will mitigate the problem sufficiently.

4.1.2 British Standard 4142: 1997 revised 2014, states that should the existing background noise be exceeded by 10dB it is an 'unacceptable' noise level and complaints are likely, should the rating be 5dB above the background noise it is still of a 'marginal significance' and complaints are possible. (ISVR Consulting, Southdowns Consultants).

4.1.3 It is a known fact that quarry noise is one of the major complaints in all nuisance cases against existing quarries. Investigations for health & safety reasons concluded that plant work (e.g. gravel) was the second noisiest industry for workers to be involved in. Sources of noise include: grading plants, crushers, conveying equipment, loading shovels and trucks, earth moving equipment and water pumps (very often running 24/7), 'reversing' and 'start up' alarms (from vehicles, moving and static plant), aggregate noise when loading into empty truck bodies from hoppers and mobile loading plant.

4.1.4 Hanson has provided no information about the likelihood of other allied industries operating from the site (ie concrete batching, tarmac processing and also a bagging plant for out sales to builder's merchants etc) which would add to noise and traffic levels.

4.2 VISUAL INTRUSION

4.2.1 The processing plant will include towers, tall sloping conveyors and tall heaps. The site area will be encased in high metal fences whilst the Site Development Brief will specify banks and hedge screening. Both processing plant and screening arrangements will intrude upon and alter our landscape.

4.2.2 Views of the site would potentially affect a significant number of Coddington residents and visitors (especially when deciduous trees are leafless) and impact the setting of the Conservation Area.

5. HEALTH

5.1 A considerable number of houses fall within a kilometre radius of the proposed quarry and we feel the quarry will have a significant impact on the health and wellbeing of the people living in the village.

5.2 Reports and personal statements from other communities living near quarry sites state that gravel pits do have a negative effect on the quality of life and health for local people. Mining operations will create heavy traffic with large trucks and queuing traffic adding to the pollution. Heavy trucks will cause hazardous traffic conditions. Mining will produce large volumes of dust. Plant working will create vibrations and noise that will be heard within the village.

5.3 In addition to the above effects, we are aware that quarries become toxic dumps and waste fill sites when mining ceases. This will lead to additional issues for the health of the village in years to come. Recently we heard about the issues with unauthorised tipping at the Collingham Quarry site.

5.4 Reports we have read clearly state that contaminants that are released into the air and waste water from the excavation process will impact on the quality of local air and water supply.

5.4.1 Dust is known to have a substantial impact on air quality. Dust is not always an obvious hazard as particles can be invisible. Research highlights that the body is harmed in different ways by dust being absorbed through skin or eye contact, through ingestion as well as by inhalation; some of this is dependent on the individual physical and chemical properties of the dust (HSE 1997).

5.4.2 Exposure to dust from sand and gravel quarries is amongst some of the most harmful contaminants as it contains silica which is known to be carcinogenic. There is significant evidence

of the impact of quarry dust on people working at quarries, carrying out activities to extract and prepare minerals for sale. Dust is one of the largest occupational hazards and is one of the largest occupational killers.

5.4.3 Exposure to dust is known to create and worsen existing respiratory problems and we feel it is unreasonable that we are exposed to this risk. Some of the community's most vulnerable residents live nearest to the proposed quarry site.

5.4.4 We undoubtedly feel the risk that our health will be greatly impacted:

- by the pollution which will affect our breathing,
- by the noise which will disturb our sleep; and
- by the vibrations which will impact on our tranquillity;
- and all of these making it difficult for us to live the life we have become accustomed to.

5.5 As a community we object strongly to the proposed quarry and we feel that the increased pollution from it will negatively impact on the quality of air and that this will have an unacceptable effect on our health and quality of our life. We consider that the Council has a strong responsibility to ensure that our health and wellbeing is not negatively impacted by future developments.

6. COMMERCIAL IMPACT

6.1 Nottinghamshire's Local Economic Assessment

6.1.1 In a recent report – "Nottinghamshire's Local Economic Assessment", the County Council categorised Newark as a "large secondary centre" with a diverse economic base, ensuring a continued provision of employment sites. With a strong "service sector", the area provides significant housing and employment through the infrastructure planned as part of the "Growth Point Plan".

6.2 Potential losses

6.2.1 It is almost impossible to quantify the potential losses, in economic terms that could follow the development of both Coddington and Averham, as sand and gravel quarries.

6.2.2 There are a large number of self employed and small businesses in Newark and area who employ 8 or less people. (Notable exceptions are Currys Know How, NSK Bearings, Laurens Pattiseries, Vodafone, Fullflow etc.)

6.2.3 Small companies may find it easier to adapt, or move base of operations, in order to cope with pressures of access, but bigger companies may find it much more difficult to adapt and may well consider moving with an impact on employment, revenue in business rates for the council and consequent losses in services.

6.3 Roads and Routes

6.3.1 The current road system is overloaded (see Road Report above), and most local residents will recall the weekly, if not daily, problems faced accessing the town at peak hours, or when there is an accident /roadwork's, especially on the A1/A46 backing traffic up through the centre of Newark.

6.3.2 Any increases in traffic mean additional risks of accidents, and, with the "Growth Point Plan" adding a potential 7,000 new homes the residential traffic alone will cause increases in traffic load across the entire local road network.

6.3.3 Add to that the much increased movements, from both sites, affecting major routes, and the risks of accident, additional wear and tear on roads, and the carrying of airborne/traffic borne pollutants into residential areas will not be acceptable.

6.4 Businesses

6.4.1 On the Newark and Sherwood web site the Economic development team says: "Newark and Sherwood sits at the heart of England, between the A1 and the M1, on the East Coast Mainline and we are aware of making the most of this when it comes to attracting businesses into the area. We are aware of the positive developments such as the dualling of the A46 and ***also of the areas where development is still needed such as additional roads/junctions and pinch points on our networks.***"

6.4.2 It seems safe to assume that business types needing excellent access will find it difficult if road conditions worsen without significant investment in the roads infrastructure. Other larger employers might also become frustrated if, as a consequence of traffic hold up's, there is more difficulty for staff getting to and fro their place of work. This may cause employers to re-locate AWAY from Newark with loss of employment, business rates and empty commercial premises.

6.5 Tourism

6.5.1 On tourism the Economic Development Team says; "We have much to celebrate and be proud of in our district. Some examples include Southwell, which is steeped in history including the Minster; Sherwood Forest; Rufford Country Park; Vicar Water; Newark Castle and our developing National Civil War Centre - Newark Museum. We have festivals such as the Southwell Folk Festival, the Newark Festival and many themed weekends such as the Jazz Weekend. Our strategy has recently been reviewed and we will be working with our local businesses in order to develop our offer so that more people not only visit our District but stay overnight with us."

6.5.2 With such attractions we would feel Newark has a great future in tourism terms, The National Civil War Centre and Newark Museum is set to attract up to 60,000 new visitors per year, and the development of tourist apps and further investigation of Newark's Tunnel System could mean more employment and economic benefit for the whole area.

6.5.3 In a presentation earlier this year to the District Council, Jennifer Spencer, Chief Executive of Experience Nottinghamshire, said "tourism was worth around £215m p.a. to our area, representing some 3.6m day and 311,000 overnight visitors in 2013". Overnight visitors spend, on average, £100 more than day visitors, but £215m represented less than 25% of the value of tourism outside of Nottingham City. Maureen Dobson, local County Councillor, claimed that not enough Hotel Business came to the area, and they needed to know why.

6.5.4 Unfortunately, if traffic access to Newark gets more and more difficult due to traffic congestion caused by quarrying, our existing tourist business will be threatened. The much anticipated increase in tourism may well not be realised resulting in any economic advantages from these new initiatives being lost.

7. CONCLUSION

In the light of these arguments, which are strongly supported by the number of signatures on our petition (Annex I), by the postal objections listed on the County Council's website (Annex III), and by the e-petition comments on the CAGE website (Annex II), **we request that the proposed quarry site at Coddington (MP2o) be removed from the County's Minerals Local Plan.**

27th November 2014

Agenda Item: 5

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR POLICY, PLANNING AND CORPORATE SERVICES

PLANNING CONSULTATIONS

Purpose of the Report

1. To inform Committee of the number of planning applications and enquiries the Planning Policy Team have responded to from September 2013 to September 2014 and the total Education and Library S106 requirements generated as a result of the submission of planning applications.

Information and Advice

2. Number of Planning Application and enquiries:

Table 1

Month	2013	2014	Uplift*
January	26	28	2
February	17	24	7
March	9	20	11
April	12	22	10
May	12	22	10
June	10	27	17
July	21	47	26
August	17	20	3
September	35	38	3
October	21	n/a	n/a
November	16	n/a	n/a
December	11	n/a	n/a

*Increase in number of planning applications/enquires from 2013 to 2014 per month

3. During the same period September 2013-September 2014 the County Council had a requirement for Education and Library contributions as a result of District and Borough planning applications, this is set in Table 2 below.

Table 2

Month	2013		2014	
	Education	Library	Education	Library
January	£206,190	£0	£1,809,890	£0
February	£0	£0	£2,236,610	£0
March	£430,101	£0	£3,824,430	£92,578
April	£941,895	£0	£1,031,725	£63,913
May	£0	£0	£968,190	£24,003
June	£3,500,000	£450,000	£2,342,798	£54,507
July	£367,930	£2,802	£3,370,635	£52,328
August	£240,565	£0	£1,238,900	£3,407
September	£1,560,360	£0	£538,385	£8,371
October	£446,745	£0	n/a	n/a
November	£872,750	£5,807	n/a	n/a
December	£57,275	£0	n/a	n/a
Total	£8,623,811	£458,609	£17,361,563	£299,107

4. During the period January-December 2013 the total County Council Education requirements were £8,623,811 and the Library requirement was £458,609. During the period January 2014 to September 2014 the total County Council Education requirement was £17,361,563 and the Library requirement was £299,107.

Other Options Considered

5. There are no alternative options to consider as the report is for information only.

Reason for Recommendation

6. This report is for information only.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) That Environment and Sustainability Committee note the report.

Jayne Francis-Ward

Corporate Director, Planning, Policy and Corporate Services

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Nina Wilson, Principal Planning Officer, Planning Policy Team, 0115 97 73793

Background Papers

Individual Consultations and their responses.

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Constitutional Comments

8. As this report is for noting only constitutional comments are not required.

Financial Comments

9. There are no direct financial implications arising from the contents of this report.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.

27th November 2014

Agenda Item: 6

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR POLICY, PLANNING AND CORPORATE SERVICES

RESPONSES ON PLANNING CONSULTATIONS

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide information to Committee on the formal responses which have been agreed by the Chairman of Environment and Sustainability Committee, in consultation with the Group Manager Planning, requests from Nottinghamshire Borough and District Councils, neighbouring authorities and central government.

Information and Advice

2. A response has been provided on the following consultations:

Date Received	Ref. No.	Address	Details	Comments
Bassetlaw District Council				
21 st August 2014	14/009 87/FUL	Zones 2 and 3c Explore Industrial Park, Steetley, Worksop	Erection of 54,787 sqm Class B2 Industrial Building and Associated Service Yard and Landscaping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for responses sent 21st August 2014 • Request for final comments on draft response sent 5th September 2014 • Names of Members notified: Cllr Creamer, Cllr Skelding, Cllr Butler, Cllr Heptinstall MBE, Cllr Greaves • Response agreed with Chairman on 12th September 2014
Newark and Sherwood District Council				
12 th September	4/0157 6/OUT	Land off The Ridgeway/Millda	Outline planning application for the erection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for responses sent 12th September 2014 • Request for final

2014	M	le Road, Farnsfield, Nottinghamshire	of a maximum of 61 dwellings and garage, public open space and demolition of curtilage buildings,	<p>comments on draft response sent 14th October 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Names of Members notified: Cllr Creamer, Cllr Skelding, Cllr Butler, Cllr Heptinstall MBE, Cllr Jackson Response agreed with Chairman on 14th October 2014
Rushcliffe Borough Council				
5 th September 2014	n/a	Rushcliffe Borough Council	Proposed Main Modifications to the Rushcliffe Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for responses sent 5th September 2014 Request for final comments on draft response sent 17th September 2014 Names of Members notified: Cllr Creamer, Cllr Skelding, Cllr Butler, Cllr Heptinstall MBE, Cllr Cutts, Cllr Cottey, Cllr Adair, Cllr Brown, Cllr Wheeler, Cllr Calvert, Cllr Plant Response agreed with Chairman on 25th September 2014
5 th September 2014	14/017 39/FUL	Land south of the Railway Line and east of Station Road, Elton, Nottinghamshire	10mw solar farm with associated infrastructure with the purpose of generating renewable energy for a period of 25 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for responses sent 5th September 2014 Request for final comments on draft response sent 17th September 2014 Names of Members notified: Cllr Creamer, Cllr Skelding, Cllr Butler, Cllr Heptinstall MBE, Cllr Suthers MBE Response agreed with Chairman on 29th September 2014
5 th September 2014	14/015 94/FUL	OS Fields 6230 and 7657, Langar Lane, Colston Bassett, Nottinghamshire	Installation of solar farm up to 10mwp and associated infrastructure including transformer housing, substation, control centre housing, cctv and temporary widening of access track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for responses sent 5th September 2014 Request for final comments on draft response sent 17th September 2014 Names of Members notified: Cllr Creamer, Cllr Skelding, Cllr Butler, Cllr Heptinstall MBE, Cllr Suthers MBE

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response agreed with Chairman on 29th September 2014
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3. It should be noted that all comments contained in the sent responses could be subject to change, as a result of on-going negotiations between Nottinghamshire County Council, the Local Authority and the applicants.

Other Options Considered

4. There are no alternative options to consider as the report is for information only.

Reason for Recommendation

5. This report is for information only.

Statutory and Policy Implications

6. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) That Environment and Sustainability Committee note the report.

Jayne Francis-Ward
Corporate Director, Planning, Policy and Corporate Services

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Nina Wilson, Principal Planning Officer, Planning Policy Team, 0115 97 73793

Background Papers

Individual Consultations and their responses.

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Constitutional Comments

7. As this report is for noting only constitutional comments are not required.

Financial Comments

8. There are no direct financial implications arising from the contents of this report.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.

27th November 2014

Agenda Item: 7

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR POLICY, PLANNING AND CORPORATE SERVICES

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide a summary of the current status of planning consultations received, and being dealt with, by the County Council from Nottinghamshire District and Borough Councils, neighbouring authorities and central government.

Information and Advice

2. The Planning Policy Team has received 29 planning consultations during the period the 6th September to the 21st October 2014.

3. Appendix A contains a list of all the planning consultations received during the above period.

Other Options Considered

4. There are no alternative options to consider as the report is for information only.

Reason for Recommendation

5. This report is for information only.

Statutory and Policy Implications

6. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the

safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) That Environment and Sustainability Committee notes the report.

Jayne Francis-Ward
Corporate Director, Planning, Policy and Corporate Services

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Nina Wilson, Principal Planning Officer, Planning Policy Team, 0115 97 73793

Background Papers

Individual Consultations and their responses.

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Constitutional Comments

7. As this report is for noting only constitutional comments are not required.

Financial Comments

8. There are no direct financial implications arising from the contents of this report.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.

Appendix A – Nottinghamshire County Council: Planning Consultations Received – September to October 2014

Date Received	ID	Address	Details	Officer Dealing	Response Type	Reason	Notes
Ashfield District Council							
09.09.14	Ashfield District Council V/2014/0443	Hucknall Day Nursery 100 Nottingham Road, Hucknall	Outline application for residential development with all matters reserved	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	S106 comments required
16.09.14	Ashfield District Council V/2014/0447	Quantum Clothing Group Ltd, North Street, Huthwaite, Sutton in Ashfield	Outline application with all matters reserved for a maximum of 83 dwellings, access and landscaping	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	On-going
Bassetlaw District Council							
10.09.14	Bassetlaw District Council 14/01128/SCR	Land North of Bawtry Road and South of Bryans Close Lane, Misson	Screening Opinion – Proposed erection of a 5MW Solar Photovoltaic Development on approximately 10 hectares of land	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	On-going
11.09.14	Bassetlaw District Council 14/00697/FUL	Land adjacent to Idle View Farm, Youldholes Lane, Everton	Excavation and formation of fish breeding lakes	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	On-going

02.10.14	Bassetlaw District Council		Harworth & Bircotes Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan	NW	C	Meets Agreed Protocol	November E S Committee
06.10.14	Bassetlaw District Council 14/01241/CONR	Static Caravan Park at Hallcroft Fisheries, Hallcroft Road, Retford	Removal of Condition one from Application 01/10/00168/R to allow for Hallcroft Fisheries Caravan Park to operate as a permanent holiday caravan park	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
01.10.04	Bassetlaw District Council 14/01146/PREAPP	Land adjacent to Ashvale Road, Tuxford	Residential Development of 69 dwellings	EM	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	On-going
13.10.14	Bassetlaw District Council	One World Logistics, Blyth Road, Worksop	Installation and commissioning of two 60kW Wind Turbines with a 30m hub height and 42m tip height (resubmission of P.A 14/00962/FUL)	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
15.10.14	Bassetlaw District Council 14/01327/OUT	Land at Corner Farm, Main Street, Hayton	Outline application for residential development and alter existing access	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
Gedling Borough Council							
15.09.14	Gedling Borough Council 2014/0950	Top Wighay, Annesley Road	Erect 38 No Dwellings and Associated Works	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	S106 comments required only

15.10.14	Gedling Borough Council 2014/1050DOC	Gedling Country Park, Spring Lane	Discharge of condition 19 – application 2012/1456	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
Newark and Sherwood District Council							
12.09.14	Newark & Sherwood DC 14/01469/OUTM	Land at Southwell Road Farnsfield	Outline planning application for the erection of up to 48 dwellings (Access Only)	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
12.09.14	Newark & Sherwood DC 14/01598/FULM	Land at the junction of Kelham Road and Great North Road Newark on Trent	Planning Permission for the demolition of existing buildings and for the erection of a Class A1 retail foodstore and petrol filling station along with associated parking, servicing, landscaping, public realm, access works and other associated works	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	On-going
12.09.14	Newark & Sherwood DC 14/01576/OUTM	Land off The Ridgeway/Milldale Road, Farnsfield	Outline planning application for the erection of a maximum of 61 dwellings and garages, public open space and demolition of curtilage buildings	NW	C	Meets Agreed Protocol	November E S Committee
16.09.14	Newark & Sherwood District Council	Land at Rufford Road, Edwinstowe	Erection of up to 72 dwellings, with associated public open	NW	C	Meets Agreed Protocol	November E S Committee

	14/01596/OUTM		space and infrastructure				
23.09.14	Newark & Sherwood District Council 13/00689/FULM	Land at Nottingham Road, Southwell	Erection of 34 dwellings with associated infrastructure and amenity open space	NW	C	Meets Agreed Protocol	November E S Committee
Rushcliffe Borough Council							
11.09.14	Rushcliffe Borough Council 14/01813/FUL	South Nottinghamshire Academy, Glebe Lane, Radcliffe on Trent	Replacement of the current South Nottinghamshire Academy with a new three storey school building; provision of new pedestrian and vehicular access; soft and hard play areas and associated landscaping and making good of the site, generally, post demolition (phased demolition of all buildings except sports hall).	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
18.09.14	Rushcliffe Borough Council 14/01927/VAR	Land East of, Kirk Ley Road, East Leake	Vary conditions 2 and 3 of planning permission 12/01840/OUT to enable the development to be carried out in accordance with a revised framework plan	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required

Other							
15.09.14	SMart Wind Ltd		Hornsea (Round 3, Zone 4) Offshore Wind Farm – Project Two Further consultation under Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008: Changes to the underground onshore cable route and associated infrastructure	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
16.09.14	East Leake Parish Council		East Leake Neighbourhood Plan - Consultation	NW	C	Meets Agreed Protocol	November E S Committee
22.09.14	The Canal & River Trust		The Canal & River Trust Consultation – Coping with Future Challenges	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
23.09.14	National Grid		River Humber Gas Pipeline Replacement Project	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
24.09.14	WHP Projects – For and on behalf of MBNL		Utilise permitted development rights at: Brookfurlong Farm, Costock Road, East Leake	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
02.10.14	WHP Wilkinson Helsby		Permitted Development Rights at: Existing telecommunications	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required

			installation at Markham Moor, Milton				
02.10.14	Roxhill (Kegworth) Limited		East Midlands Gateway Strategic Rail Freight Interchange Order	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
09.10.14	Capita/URS		River Trent Tidal Flap Improvements Consultation Request	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
13.10.14	Harworth Town Council		Harworth & Bircotes Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan	NW	C	Meets Agreed Protocol	November E S Committee
13.10.14	Lincolnshire County Council		Draft Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Duty to Co-operate – Cross Boundary Mineral Movements and Mineral Safeguarding Areas	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required
14.10.14	Melton Borough Council		Consultation on the Melton Local Plan Issues & Options	NW	O	Did not meet agreed protocol	No comments required

Response type

C = Committee

O = Officer

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Agenda Item: 8

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR FOR TRANSPORT, PROPERTY AND
ENVIRONMENT****NOTTINGHAM POST – ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS 2014****Purpose of the Report**

1. This report provides information to the Committee on the recent Nottingham Post Environmental Awards 2014 which was delivered in partnership with the County Council and Veolia (the County Council's waste contractor).

Information and Advice

2. The Nottingham Post Environmental Awards 2014 took place at Nottingham's Belfry Hotel on Wednesday 12th November to celebrate the exemplar work undertaken by communities, organisations and individuals within the County in the environmental and sustainability sector. The awards, sponsored by Veolia (the County Council's waste contractor), were organised by the Nottingham Post and delivered in partnership with the County Council as well the Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust.
3. County Council attendees included the Leader of the Council, the Chairman of Environment and Sustainability Committee, the Corporate Director for Environment & Resources and the Service Director for Transport, Property & Environment.
4. The awards recognised the good work and innovation within the sector by communities, business and education, and created a platform to celebrate their success. Schemes included projects to reduce energy bills, projects to protect houses from flooding and farming as a form of therapy for vulnerable people.
5. The County Council is proud to have been able to support this event, in partnership with Veolia. The support shown by the County Council represents a continuing commitment to improving the environment and encouraging sustainability against a challenging financial backdrop.
6. The full list of the awards and associated winners was as follows:

AWARD	WINNER	RUNNER UP
Environmentalism of the Year	John McDonald	Tina Holt
Environmental Community of the Year	Southwell Flood Forum	Netherfield Eco Action Team

Education and the Environment Award	Samworth Church Academy	Iona School
Environmental Innovation Award	Rhubarb Farm	Greening the Creative Quarter
First Steps to Sustainability Award	National Ice and Capital Arena	Footprints / School Keep Clear Song
Environmental Business Award	Bio Dynamic	The Orchard Hotel
The Environmental Development Award	Marsh Grochowski Architects	Waters Homes
Public Sector Environmental Initiative of the Year Award	Greening Housing Scheme	Gedling Borough Council Country Park
The Environmental Land Management Award	Home Farm	Trinity Farm
Coping with Climate Change Award	Greener Housing Scheme	Home Farm

Other Options Considered

5. None – this is an information report.

Reasons for Recommendations

6. It is important that the Environment and Sustainability Committee note the continuing commitment and support to improving the environment and encouraging sustainability against a challenging financial backdrop.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

8. None – there were no financial implications for the County Council; the sponsorship costs were met by Veolia.

Implications for Service Users

9. None – this is an information report.

Recommendation

10. That Committee note the contents of the report.

Mick Allen
Group Manager, Waste and Energy Management

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For any enquiries about this report please contact:
Mick Allen, Group Manager, Waste and Energy Management

Constitutional Comments

11. This report is for noting only.

Financial Comments

12. This report is for noting only. There are no direct financial implications contained in the report.

Background Papers

None.

Electoral Divisions

All

27 November 2014

Agenda Item: 9

REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, POLICY, PLANNING AND CORPORATE SERVICES

WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the Committee's work programme for 2014-15

Information and Advice

2. The County Council requires each committee to maintain a work programme. The work programme will assist the management of the committee's agenda, the scheduling of the committee's business and forward planning. The work programme will be updated and reviewed at each pre-agenda meeting and committee meeting. Any member of the committee is able to suggest items for possible inclusion.
3. The attached work programme has been drafted in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, and includes items which can be anticipated at the present time. Other items will be added to the programme as they are identified.
4. As part of the transparency introduced by the new committee arrangements, each committee is expected to review day to day operational decisions made by officers using their delegated powers. The Committee may wish to commission periodic reports on such decisions where relevant.

Other Options Considered

5. None.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. To assist the committee in preparing its work programme.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such

implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the Committee's work programme be noted, and consideration be given to any changes which the Committee wishes to make.

Jayne Francis-Ward

Corporate Director, Policy, Planning and Corporate Services

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Ruth Rimmington, Democratic Services Officer on 0115 9773825

Constitutional Comments (HD)

8. The Committee has authority to consider the matters set out in this report by virtue of its terms of reference.

Financial Comments (PS)

9. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- New Governance Arrangements report to County Council – 29 March 2012 and minutes of that meeting (published)

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All

ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE - WORK PROGRAMME

<u>Report Title</u>	<u>Brief summary of agenda item</u>	<u>For Decision or Information ?</u>	<u>Lead Officer</u>	<u>Report Author</u>
Items to be scheduled for future meetings (dates to be confirmed)				
27 November 2014				
Minerals Local Plan Coddington Sand and Gravel Extraction Petition		Decision	Sally Gill	
Strategic Planning Observations		Decision	Sally Gill	
Evening Post Environmental Awards		Information	Jas Hundal	
8 January 2015				
Waste Local Plan Part 2: Site Specific and Development Management Policies Update	TBC	Information	Sally Gill	
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