

Meeting: **JOINT COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC PLANNING AND TRANSPORT**

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

### **Purpose of report**

1. To inform Committee of progress with preparing the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Replacement Waste Local Plan.

### **Information and Advice**

2. The Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Replacement Waste Local Plan is being prepared jointly with Nottingham City Council. The Plan is being prepared in two parts. The first part of Plan, the Waste Core Strategy, was adopted by both Councils in December 2013 and sets out the overall vision and strategic planning policies for the development of future waste management facilities across Nottinghamshire and Nottingham.
3. The second part of the Replacement Waste Local Plan will identify specific sites for a range of potential waste management uses including recycling, composting and anaerobic digestion facilities; waste transfer operations; energy recovery facilities. Provision will also need to be made for residual waste requiring disposal although the options for future disposal sites are considered to be limited. This part of the plan will also include detailed development management policies to minimise the potential environmental impacts of waste facilities.
4. Until both parts of the replacement Plan are in place, key policies from the existing Waste Local Plan (Jan 2002) have been saved.
5. A cross party Members project group has been set up to assist in preparation of the Waste Local Plan (Part 2). This comprises Members and officers from both Councils. The first meeting of this group was held on 5 March 2015 to outline the current position and the planned future timetable.
6. Work on the second part of the replacement Waste Local Plan is being progressed in stages with current work focussed on identifying and assessing sites for possible allocation and updating the evidence base where necessary. This work has involved both desk-based analysis in conjunction with each of the local district/borough councils and Nottingham City Council alongside a series of 'calls for sites' from the waste industry, landowners and developers.
7. Informal consultation on the proposed site selection methodology and an updated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report was carried out during June and July 2015 with a total of 26 responses received. Feedback from this stage is being used to refine the site selection methodology in order to undertake a detailed assessment of all potential sites.

8. Following the detailed assessment of all potential sites, shortlisted sites will be published alongside a draft set of development management policies for informal public consultation. The detailed timing of this consultation is currently under review due to on-going additional work pressures related to the preparation of the County Council's Minerals Local Plan. A more detailed update of the planned timetable will be provided to Committee following revisions to the County Council's Local Development Scheme.

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Joint Committee note the progress on the Waste Local Plan.

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