

Environment and Sustainability Committee

Thursday, 14 March 2013 at 10:30

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

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Notes

- (1) Councillors are advised to contact their Research Officer for details of any Group Meetings which are planned for this meeting.
- (2) Members of the public wishing to inspect "Background Papers" referred to in the reports on the agenda or Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act should contact:-

Customer Services Centre 0300 500 80 80

- (3) Persons making a declaration of interest should have regard to the Code of Conduct and the Council's Procedure Rules. Those declaring must indicate the nature of their interest and the reasons for the declaration.

Councillors or Officers requiring clarification on whether to make a declaration of interest are invited to contact Keith Ford (Tel. 0115 977 2590) or a colleague in Democratic Services prior to the meeting.

- (4) Councillors are reminded that Committee and Sub-Committee papers, with the exception of those which contain Exempt or Confidential Information, may be recycled.

minutes

Meeting ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Date Thursday 14 February 2013 (commencing at 10.30am)

membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Richard Butler (Chair)
John Hemsall (Vice-Chair)

Steve Carr
Barrie Cooper
Jim Creamer
Vince Dobson
Kevin Greaves

Bruce Laughton
Geoff Merry
John Peck JP
Keith Walker

OTHER COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE

Mel Shepherd MBE

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mick Allen – Group Manager, Waste and Energy Management
Lisa Bell – Team Manager, Planning Policy
Keith Ford – Senior Democratic Services Officer
Sally Gill – Group Manager, Planning
Tim Gregory – Corporate Director, Environment & Resources
Sue Jaques – Local Improvement Scheme Manager
Steve Osborne-James – Senior Planning Officer
Kevin Sharman – Team Manager, Transport Plans and Programmes
Anna Vincent – Independent Group Researcher
Andy Warrington – Service Director for Highways
Michelle Welsh – Labour Group Researcher

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 17 January 2013, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Councillor John Peck declared a private interest in agenda item 4 – Local Improvement Scheme (LIS) Programme 2012/13 and 2013/14 as his wife was involved in one of the proposed schemes (Edwinstowe Skate Park). This did not preclude him from speaking or voting on that item.

Councillor John Peck declared a private interest in agenda item 6 – Strategic Planning Observations on a Full Planning Application for a Solar Farm, Bilsthorpe Business Park as he was a Member of Newark and Sherwood District Council's Planning Committee. He left the meeting whilst this item was considered.

Councillor Geoff Merry declared a private interest in agenda item 6 – Strategic Planning Observations on a Full Planning Application for a Solar Farm, Bilsthorpe Business Park as he was a Member of Newark and Sherwood District Council's Planning Committee. He left the meeting whilst this item was considered.

Councillor Bruce Laughton declared a private interest in agenda item 6 – Strategic Planning Observations on a Full Planning Application for a Solar Farm, Bilsthorpe Business Park as he had landholdings which overlooked the proposed site. This did not preclude him from speaking or voting on that item.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME (LIS) PROGRAMME 2012/13 AND 2013/14

During discussions it was highlighted that details of the costs of the various proposed schemes were available from the Local Improvement Scheme team upon request.

RESOLVED 2013/006

That the 2013/14 programme, as set out in paragraph 19 and the appendix to the committee report, be approved.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS ON AN OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION FOR A MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT, KIMBERLEY / EASTWOOD BYPASS, NUTHALL

RESOLVED 2013/007

That Broxtowe Borough Council be advised that Nottinghamshire County Council objected to the proposals as:-

- the development constituted inappropriate development within the Green Belt and as such was contrary to National Policy;

- insufficient information had been submitted with the planning application to allow valid and robust conclusions to be drawn on the application's potential impact upon the landscape, visual impact and ecology of the County.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS ON A FULL PLANNING APPLICATION FOR A SOLAR FARM, BILSTHORPE BUSINESS PARK

Councillors Merry and Peck left the meeting prior to this item being considered.

During discussions, Members requested that the following issues be included within the County Council's response:-

- concerns about the potential visual impact of the development;
- that some form of benefit to the local community should be incorporated within the scheme.

RESOLVED 2013/008

That Newark and Sherwood District Council be advised that:-

- the principle of such development in terms of strategic and national renewable energy policy was supported by Nottinghamshire County Council (subject to the issues raised in the report being satisfactorily addressed);
- significant further work needed to be undertaken satisfactorily in order for the applicants to provide further information to address the specific concerns about the potential impact of the proposal on the ecology, historic environment and landscape of the County, the potential visual impact on the local community and the lack of any form of benefit to that local community.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS

Councillors Merry and Peck returned to the meeting.

RESOLVED 2013/009

That the report be noted.

PERFORMANCE REPORT – WASTE MANAGEMENT

RESOLVED 2013/010

That the contents of the report be noted.

PERFORMANCE REPORT – ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT

RESOLVED 2013/011

That the contents of the report be noted.

CONSULTATIONS FOR NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LOCAL AGGREGATES ASSESSMENT AND THE WASTE AND MINERALS LOCAL PLAN

RESOLVED 2013/012

That the response to Northamptonshire's draft Minerals Waste Local Plan and draft Local Aggregates Assessment as outlined in paragraphs 15-17 of the committee report, be approved.

REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF PLANNING PRACTICE GUIDANCE

RESOLVED 2013/013

That the response to the Department of Communities and Local Government's questions on the Government's review of planning practice guidance, as set out in Appendix A to the committee report, be approved.

UPDATE ON THE SUBMISSION OF THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND NOTTINGHAM WASTE CORE STRATEGY TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

RESOLVED 2013/014

That the current position with regards to the formal submission of the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Core Strategy be noted.

INVESTMENT IN PHOTOVOLTAIC PANELS FOR CORPORATE BUILDINGS

RESOLVED 2013/015

That it be recommended that Full Council approves the £250k annual investment in Photovoltaic panels identified in the County Council budget for the period 2013-14 to 2016-17.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2014/016

That the Committee's work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 11.53 am.

CHAIRMAN

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14th March 2013

Agenda Item: 4

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

Further Revisions to the Minerals and Waste Development Scheme

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek Committee approval for amendments to the Nottinghamshire Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS), which is to be sent to the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG).

Information and Advice

2. The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2008 (amended) requires the County Council to produce a Development Scheme. The Development Scheme does not form part of the Development Plan, its purpose is to set out the timetable and resources for preparing new Development Plan Documents (DPDs) for minerals and waste.
3. The revised Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (attached) sets out the County Council's proposed programme for the preparation of its minerals and waste Development Plan Documents (DPDs). This replaces the current Minerals and Waste Development Scheme which was approved by the County Council in September 2012.
4. Prior to the introduction of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in 2012, local planning authorities could prepare a 'portfolio' of separate DPDs which, taken together, made up the Local Development Framework for their administrative area. However, the introduction of the NPPF has returned to the concept of a single Local Plan rather than separate documents unless these are clearly justified.
5. Work on the first of an intended series of three waste DPDs, the Waste Core Strategy, was substantially completed when these changes were announced. The Council has therefore continued to progress this as a separate DPD. However, work on the equivalent minerals DPDs was at a much earlier stage, meaning that these could be combined and taken forward as a single Local Plan in line with the NPPF. This new approach to the preparation of the Minerals Local Plan was approved by this Committee in January 2013. It has therefore been necessary to revise the timetable contained in the Development Scheme to ensure that it is kept up to date. Small textural changes to the scheme have also

been made to ensure consistency with the Government's new approach to Local Plans.

6. The MWDS has two key objectives:

- To inform the public and stakeholders of the Council's commitment to producing documents that will make up the development framework for minerals and waste planning in Nottinghamshire and the programme for their preparation; and
- To reflect the County Councils priorities in terms of producing documents for both the Waste Development Framework and the Minerals Local Plan.

7. The County Council will continue to review the Development Scheme and progress will be reported annually through the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR).

Key Changes from previous Development Scheme

8. The most significant change to the Development Scheme is to set out the new arrangements for producing a single Minerals Local Plan instead of separate DPDs. This should provide greater certainty to both developers and local communities and speed up the plan-making process by up to a year.

9. The Waste Core Strategy was submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination in January this year and will therefore remain a separate DPD. However, it is now proposed to combine the subsequent Development Management and Site-Allocations DPDs into a single document.

10. Other changes to the Development Scheme include minor revisions to the text to ensure that this reflects the terminology within the NPPF and the addition of an extra map to clarify the difference in geographical coverage between the minerals and waste DPDs. The Minerals Local Plan only covers the administrative area of Nottinghamshire whereas the waste DPDs are being prepared jointly with Nottingham City Council and therefore their geographic coverage is both the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City areas.

11. The new preparation timetable for the production of the Minerals Local Plan and Waste DPDs is set out in the revised Development Scheme and detailed in the tables below (please note the timetable for the Waste DPDs is unchanged):

Minerals Local Plan:

Stage	Dates	Completed
Minerals Safeguarding Consultation	April 2009	Yes
Issues and Options Consultation	27 January – 30 March 2012	Yes
Preferred Approach Consultation	September 2013	No
Submission Draft consultation	April 2014	No

Submission	August 2014	No
Pre-hearing meeting	October 2014	No
Examination	December 2014	No
Adoption	March 2015	No

Waste Development Framework:

Stage	Dates	Completed
Waste Core Strategy Issues and Options Consultation	23 October – 8 December 2006	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Further Issues and Options Consultation	3 September – 29 October 2010	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Preferred Approach Consultation	22 July – 16 September 2011	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Proposed Submission Draft	5 March – 30 April 2012	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Submission	January 2013	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Pre-hearing meeting	March 2013	No
Waste Core Strategy Examination Hearing	May 2013	No
Waste Core Strategy Adoption	July 2013	No

Other Options Considered

12. None. It is a statutory requirement for the Council to have up to date Minerals and Waste Development Plans in place.

Reason for Recommendation

13. To provide clarity for Members, Officers, members of the public, developers and other interested parties on the timetable for the production of the Minerals Local Plan and a Waste Development Framework in order for the County Council to meet its statutory functions as a Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.

Statutory and Policy Implications

14. 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.

Financial Implications (DJK 11.02.2013)

15. There is a provision of £325k to cover the Waste Development Framework enquiry; the costs will be incurred over the two financial years 2013/13 and 2013/14. Costs will be incurred through Examination of the Plans by the independent inspector. The costs of the Minerals local plan will be met through a corporate contingency claim.

Implications for Sustainability and the Environment

16. The production of the Minerals Local Plan and Waste Development Framework is a statutory function of the County Council.

RECOMMENDATION

1. The Committee approve the revised Minerals and Waste Development Scheme.

Jayne Francis-Ward

Corporate Director, Planning, Policy and Corporate Services

For any enquiries about this report please contact:

Lisa Bell, Team Manager – Planning Policy, 0115 9774547

Constitutional Comments (CEH 12.02.13)

The Environment and Sustainability Committee has authority to consider and approve the recommendations set out in the report.

Financial Comments (DJK 14.02.2013)

The contents of this report are duly noted; the financial implications are contained within the report.

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Nottinghamshire Minerals and Waste Development Scheme

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All



Minerals and Waste Development Scheme

March 2013

Preface

Nottinghamshire County Council has prepared this Minerals and Waste Development Scheme in accordance with the requirements of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Amended Regulations 2008. The County Council resolved to bring this scheme into effect on the 14^h March 2013 and it replaces the previous scheme brought into effect in September 2012.

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1 Introduction to Local Plans and Development Plan Documents (DPDs)

- 1.1 Nottinghamshire County Council is the minerals and waste planning authority for the county of Nottinghamshire; see Appendix A for a map showing the geographical coverage of the plan area. This means that it is responsible for all matters associated with minerals and waste development, including setting the land use policies and determining planning applications for such development.
- 1.2 The Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan (2005) and Waste Local Plan (2002) form part of the statutory development plan – along with the East Midlands Regional Plan (until it is revoked) and district and borough Local Plans within Nottinghamshire. Decisions on planning applications should be made on the basis of having an up-to-date statutory development plan. Both the Waste and Minerals Local Plans are in the process of being replaced.
- 1.3 The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in March 2012 and sets out that each Local Planning Authority should produce a Local Plan for its area and that any additional Development Plan Documents should only be prepared where clearly justified. Previous national guidance required local planning authorities to produce Local Development Frameworks which could include:
 - **Core Strategies**, which set out the spatial vision, spatial objectives and core policies for the development of the local planning authority area;
 - **Policies Map**, which illustrates county wide proposals
 - **Site Specific Allocations and Development Management Policies Documents**, which set out detailed policy guidance and also land allocations;
 - **Additional DPDs**, such as area specific documents. NPPF guidance states however, that these should only be prepared where clearly justified.
- 1.4 Nottinghamshire County Council had significantly advanced the review of the 2002 Waste Local Plan prior to the new requirements set out in the NPPF and as such is continuing to progress a separate Waste Core Strategy, followed by a Site Specific Allocations and Development Management Policies Development Plan Document and a Policies Map to illustrate the proposals.
- 1.5 The review of the Minerals Local Plan was in its infancy in March 2012 when the NPPF was published and as such the County Council are progressing the Minerals Local Plan to replace the 2005 Local Plan. This document will contain a vision, strategic objectives, strategic policies, policies identifying the future provision requirements, development management policies and a policies map.
- 1.6 The Waste Development Framework and the Minerals Local Plan are both subject to examination by an independent Planning Inspector.
- 1.7 **Complementary documents** are important related documents which exist alongside the Development Plan Documents/Local Plan, these include:
 - **Supplementary Planning Documents**, add further detail to the policies of the Local Plan. They can be used to provide further guidance for

development on specific sites, or on particular issues, such as design. SPDs are capable of being a material consideration in planning decisions but are not part of the Development Plan.

- **Statement of Community Involvement**, specifies how the authority intends to involve communities and stakeholders in the process of preparing planning policy documents. The Planning Bill 2008 removed the requirement for future reviews of the Statement of Community Involvement to be subject to examination.
- **Development Scheme** (this document), sets out details of planning policy documents to be produced and the time scales and arrangements for production.
- **Annual Monitoring Report**, sets out progress in terms of producing planning policy documents and implementing policies.

2 The Minerals and Waste Development Scheme

2.1 The Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS) sets out the County Council's programme for the preparation of the Waste Development Framework and Minerals Local Plan.

2.2 The MWDS has two key objectives:

- To inform the public and stakeholders of the Council's commitment to producing the Waste Development Framework and Minerals Local Plan in Nottinghamshire and the timetable for their preparation; and
- To establish the County Council's priorities in terms of producing documents for both the Waste Development Framework and the Minerals Local Plan.

2.3 The County Council will review the MWDS and progress will be reported annually through Annual Monitoring Reports (AMRs). The AMR will be published on the Council's website.

3 Existing Plans and Transitional Arrangements

3.1 Following the review of the planning system through the 2004 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act which altered the way in which statutory development plans were prepared, the Government put in place transitional arrangements that allow existing plans and policies to be 'saved' while the new local plan documents are prepared. These saved plans form part of the development plan until they are replaced under the current planning system. The plans which are currently saved are as follows:

- The Joint Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan (2002) (with the exception of policies W2.1, W3.2 and W3.24);
- The Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan (2005) (with the exception of policies M3.2, M3.21, M6.5, M6.9, M6.10, M7.4 and M11.1)

4 The Timetable

4.1 The new development plan will comprise of separate waste development plan documents and a Minerals Local Plan as detailed in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Minerals and Waste Documents to be produced

Minerals Local Plan		
Document	Date for submission	Date for adoption
Minerals Local Plan	March 2014	October 2014
Waste Development Plan		
Waste Core Strategy	January 2013	July 2013
Waste Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Document	January 2015	August 2015

4.2 The detailed production stages and key milestones are set out in Appendix B.

4.3 All new development plan documents are subject to an on going process of strategic environmental assessment (SEA), combined with the existing practice of sustainability appraisal (SA). This examines the likely environmental, social and economic effects of new policies and proposals and informs the direction and content of each stage of the plan preparation process. The information used and the outcome of the appraisal process is to be set out in a report, which will accompany each document at each stage of its preparation and subject to public consultation.

4.4 All development plan documents are also subject to equalities impact assessment (EQIA) which is a management tool that ensures that all new policies do not discriminate against certain groups and that all opportunities to promote equality are sought in plan preparation.

4.5 The Minerals Local Plan and Waste Development Framework will be subject to a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA). The purpose of the HRA of land use plans is to ensure the protection of the integrity of European sites is a part of the planning process at a regional and local level. A HRA Screening Report (March 2011) has been produced, covering both minerals and waste and concluded that no additional assessment would be necessary at this stage of the process.

- 4.6 DPDs are also subject to Strategic Flood Risk Assessments (SFRA), a Level 1 SFRA has been carried out which collates and reviews available information on flood risk in Nottinghamshire.

5 Progress to Date

- 5.1 The table below sets out the progress made to date on the Minerals Local Plan and the Waste Core Strategy.

Table 2: Minerals and Waste development plan progress to date

Minerals Local Plan	
Stage	Date
Minerals Call for Sites Key Stakeholders Consultation	June-December 2008
Minerals Safeguarding Key Stakeholders Consultation	April 2009
Minerals Background Papers Industry Consultation	November-December 2011
Issues and Options Public Consultation	27 January – 30 March 2012
Minerals Revised Call for Sites Consultation	May-June 2012
Waste Core Strategy	
Stage	Date
Issues and Options Public Consultation	23 October – 8 December 2006
Further Issues and Options Public Consultation	3 September – 29 October 2010
Preferred Approach Public Consultation	22 July – 16 September 2011
Proposed Submission Draft Public Consultation	5 March – 30 April 2012
Schedule of Proposed Changes Public Consultation	1 October – 12 November 2012

- 5.2 A full timetable for the Minerals Local Plan and Waste Development Plan Documents to be produced is contained in Appendix B.

6 Joint Working

- 6.1 The new Waste Development Plan Documents are being prepared jointly with Nottingham City Council, as was the case with the existing waste local plan. The County Council has taken the lead role and financial resources will be split proportionately according to the population. The County Council will therefore contribute 72% of the costs; and the City Council 28%.
- 6.2 There are no significant mineral issues within the Nottingham City boundary and therefore it will not be involved in the preparation of the new Minerals Local Plan. If the City Council receive any planning applications for minerals development, they will be determined against the policies set out the most up to date version of the Nottingham City Local Plan.

7 Risk Assessment

- 7.1 In setting out the proposed timetable for work on the new development plan documents, it is important to ensure that these targets are realistic, achievable and take account of possible problems that may arise. The main areas of risk in terms of implementing the development documents are identified as:
- **Uncertainty** – as the new documents are being prepared there is a risk that critical new policy guidance, such as the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), the proposed removal of national planning guidance or legislation could impact upon the timetable for plan preparation.
 - **Consultation outcomes** - the consultation process could identify additional issues/options to be evaluated and/or the scale of objections could significantly increase the workload and delay implementation. To minimise the risk, extensive pre-submission consultation is to be carried out with stakeholders, statutory consultees, local enterprise partnerships and other key consultees, including parish councils, local environmental groups and the minerals and waste industry.
 - **Demand on consultees and the Planning Inspectorate** – many local authorities are likely to be preparing new development plans documents to a similar timetable. This could lead to delays in consultee responses and in time-tabling independent examinations. To minimise this risk the County Council intends to liaise with the Planning Inspectorate to ensure a realistic timetable for preparing each document is achieved.

- **Soundness of development plan documents** – if any document was declared unsound by an Inspector the County Council would have to address the issues of why the document was found unsound, therefore additional work would need to be carried out and the timetable would slip. This would result in significant budget and timetable implications.
- **Joint working** – uncertainty of decision making could lead to significant issues, in addition both the County Council and City Council have different Committee/Cabinet reporting mechanisms and timetables.
- **Legal Challenge** – the document could be subject to successful legal challenge which would result in all or part of the plan being quashed, this would mean starting the plan over.

8 Community Involvement

- 8.1 The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) sets out the standards to be achieved by the County Council in involving stakeholders and the community in the preparation, alteration and continuing review of planning policy documents and planning applications. It contains the County Council's proposals for fully engaging all sections of the community and stakeholders at an early stage in the preparation of each document.
- 8.2 An independent examination into the County Council's SCI was carried out and found sound. The SCI was formally adopted by the County Council in June 2007.
- 8.3 A review of the adopted SCI is currently underway and is currently subject to public consultation with the anticipation of this document being adopted in the Spring 2013.

9 Development Scheme Monitoring and Review

- 9.1 An Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) is prepared each year to assess progress in implementing the Development Scheme, and subsequently to determine whether aims and objectives are being achieved through the policies and proposals of the planning policy documents. In the event that there are unavoidable slippages in the LDS timetable, and 'milestones' have not been achieved, the AMR will explain what the reasons are for the delay. It will also set out any amendments to the Development Scheme and the revised timetable for implementation to reflect the delay.
- 9.2 The AMR will also include annual technical monitoring information to provide the context for assessing the success of the policies in the planning policy documents.

10 Further Information

10.1 For further information on this minerals and waste development scheme or any of the documents mentioned please contact the County Council at the address shown below. Information on the existing minerals and waste local plans and the development plan process is also available on the County Council's website.

By Post: Nottinghamshire County Council
Planning Policy
County Hall
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West Bridgford
Nottingham
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Email: development.planning@nottscc.gov.uk

Website: www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk

10.2 This information can be made available in alternative formats and languages.

Glossary

Terms shown in *italics* are defined elsewhere in the glossary.

Annual Monitoring Report (AMR): the annual monitoring report will assess the implementation of the Local Development Scheme and whether policies in *Local Development Documents* are being successfully implemented.

Core Strategy (CS): a *Development Plan Document* which sets out the long-term spatial vision for the local planning authority area.

Development Plan (DP): consists of the relevant *Regional Spatial Strategy* and the *Development Plan Documents* contained within the *Local Development Framework*.

Development Plan Documents (DPD): statutory documents which set out the *local planning authority's* formal planning policies for its area. Together with the *Regional Spatial Strategy*, these documents make up the *Development Plan* for that area. There are different types of document (see also *Core Strategy*, *Development Control Policies*, *Site Specific Policies*, and *Proposals Map*).

Development Management Policies (DMP): a suite of criteria-based policies designed to ensure that all development meets the aims and objectives set out in the *Core Strategy*. Can be included in another *Development Plan Document* or may form a stand-alone document.

Development Scheme: a document setting out the timescales for the production of development plan documents.

Equalities Impact Assessment (EQIA): a management tool that makes sure that policies and working practices do not discriminate against certain groups and that opportunities are taken to promote equality.

Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA): required under the European Directive 92/43/EEC on the “conservations of natural habitats and wild fauna and flora for plans” that may have an impact of a European nature conservation site, such as a Special Protection Area. It is an assessment of the impacts of implementing a plan or a policy on a European nature conservation site with the purpose of considering the potential impacts against conservation objectives of the site and to ascertain whether it would adversely affect the integrity of the site.

Independent Examination: all *Development Plan Documents* need to be tested for soundness through an independent examination held by an independent inspector appointed by the Secretary of State.

Issues and Options (IO): initial, informal consultation stage setting out the main planning issues and a range of possible options. Responses will help to identify what are the most realistic options, which will then be put forward as *Preferred Options*.

Local Development Document (LDD): the collective term for *Development Plan Documents*, *Supplementary Planning Documents* and the *Statement of Community Involvement*.

Local Development Framework (LDF): the name for the portfolio of *Local Development Documents*. It consists of *Development Plan Documents*, *Supplementary Planning Documents*, a *Statement of Community Involvement*, the *Local Development Scheme* and *Annual Monitoring Reports*. Together these documents will provide the framework for delivering the spatial planning strategy for a local authority area (see also *Minerals and Waste Development Framework*).

Local Plan (LP): a plan setting out the spatial and strategic direction for development within a plan area. For Nottinghamshire this only relates to minerals and waste development.

Local Strategic Partnership (LSP): partnerships of stakeholders who develop ways of involving local people in shaping the future of their neighbourhood in how services are provided.

Minerals and Waste Development Framework (MWDF): the equivalent of the *Local Development Framework*, produced by County Councils who are responsible minerals and waste planning.

Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS): the equivalent of the *Local Development Scheme* produced by County Councils who are responsible for minerals and waste planning.

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF): the NPPF replaces all other national planning policies documents (PPG/PPS) and many circulars, with the exception of Planning Policy Statement 10 'Planning for Sustainable Waste Management', streamlining them into one document. It sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied. It provides a framework within which local and neighbourhood plans can be produced reflecting the needs and priorities of the local area.

Neighbourhood Plan (NP): A plan prepared by a Parish Council or Neighbourhood Forum for a particular neighbourhood area (made under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004).

Preferred Options (PO): Informal consultation stage which will identify the *Local Planning Authority's* preferred approach(es) to likely development proposals and any alternatives that have been rejected, along with the reasons for this.

Proposals Map: the adopted proposals map illustrates on a base map all the policies contained in *Development Plan Documents*, together with any saved policies. It must be revised as each new *Development Plan Document* is adopted, and it should always reflect the up-to-date planning strategy for the area.

Regional Plan/Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS): the strategic plan for the East Midlands.

Saved Policies or Plans: existing adopted development plans which are to be saved (usually up to 3 years unless otherwise extended by Government direction) until they are replaced by the new style *Development Plan Documents*.

Site Allocations Document: *Development Plan Document* which allocates specific sites for development.

Statement of Community Involvement (SCI): a document which informs how a council will involve the community on all major planning applications and in the preparation of documents.

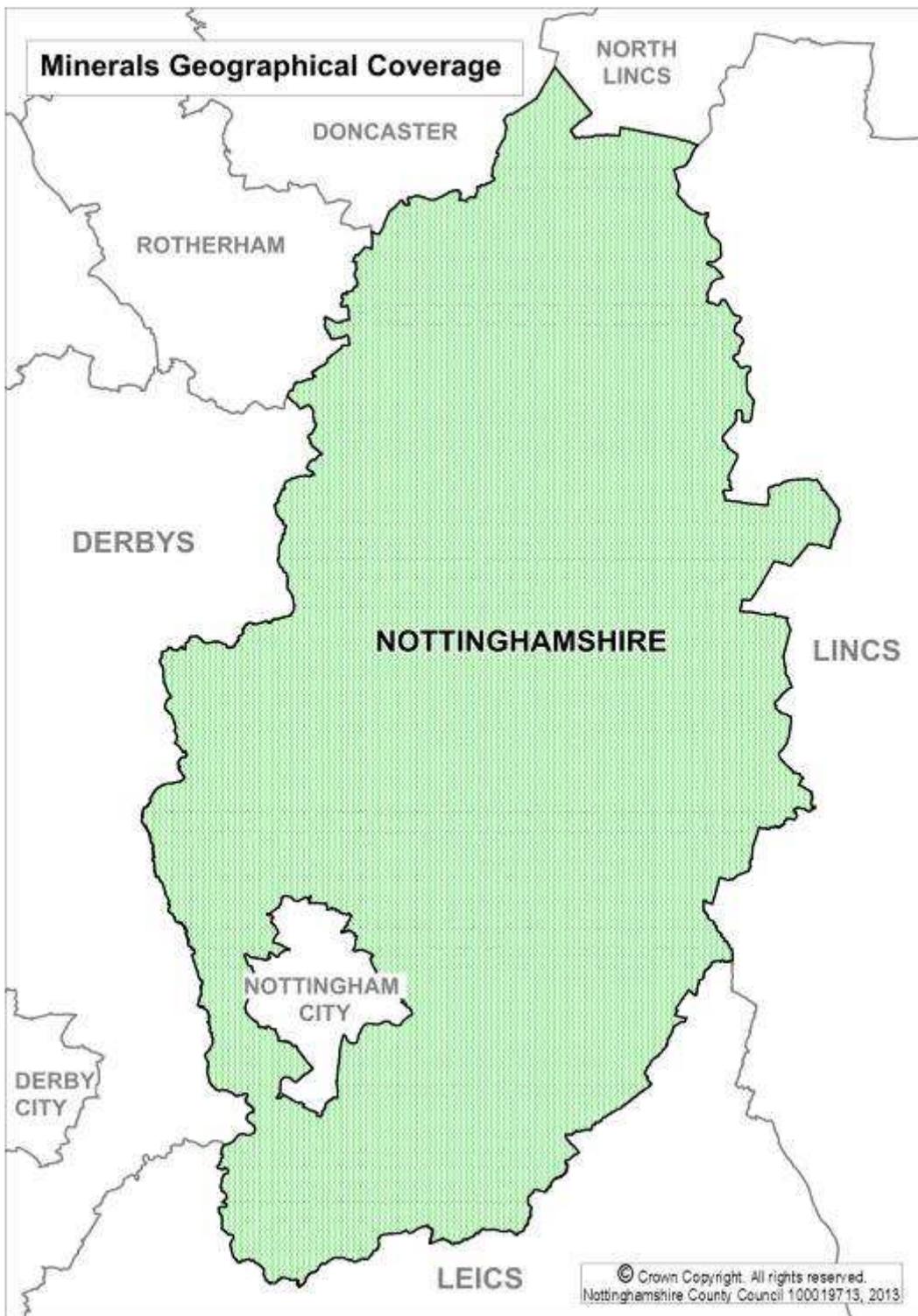
Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA): a procedure (set out in the Environmental Assessment of Plan and Programmes Regulations 2004) which requires the formal environmental assessment of certain plans and programmes which are likely to have significant effects on the environment.

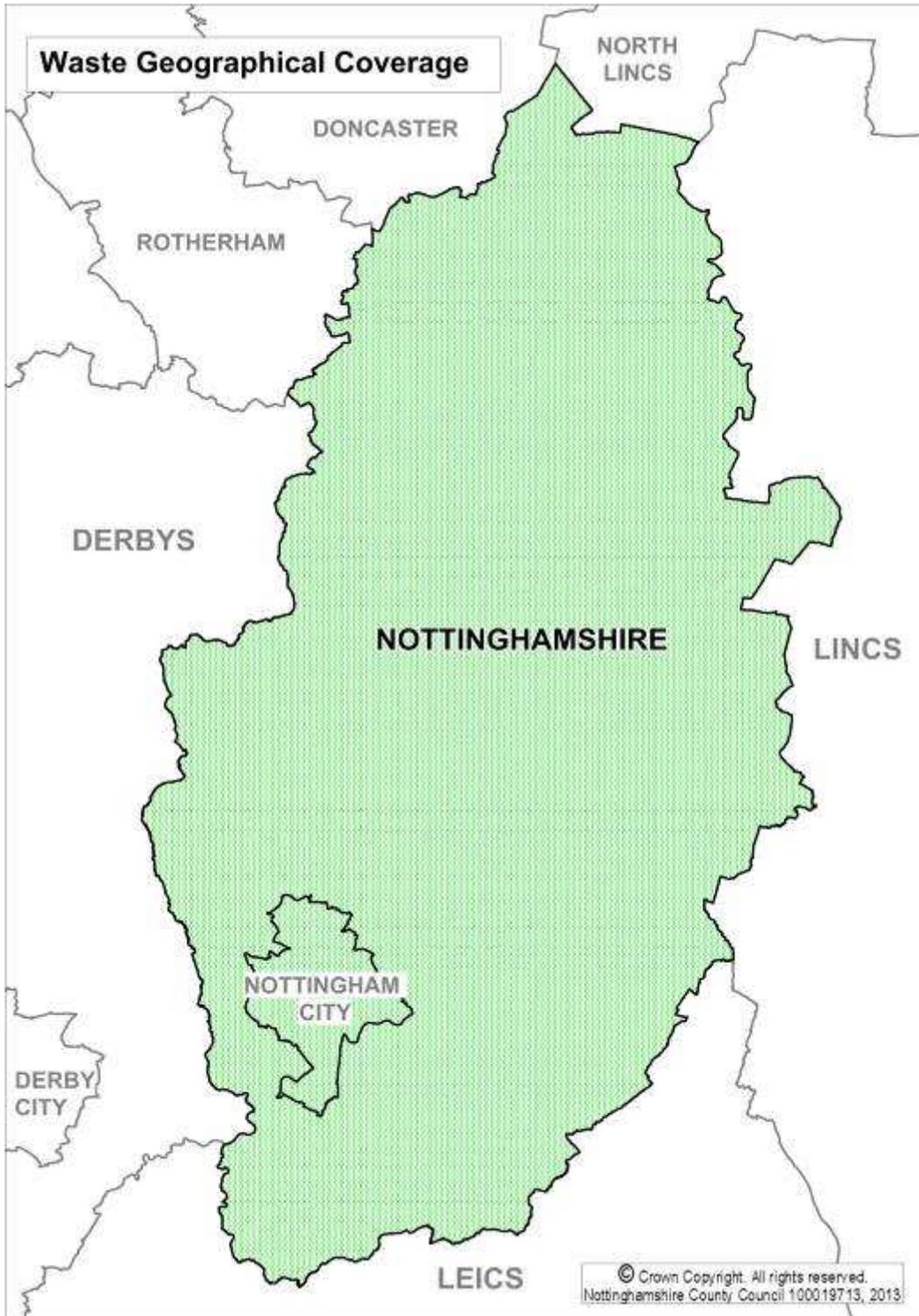
Submission Draft: Final draft of the Local Plan/Core Strategy, submitted to the Secretary of State and Local Government, subject to independent examination by the Planning Inspectorate, which includes public hearings and a Inspector's Report. Formal representations made at this stage will be considered at the *Independent Examination*

Sustainability Appraisal (SA): a document that examines the social, economic and environmental effects of strategies and policies in a development plan from the outset of its preparation. In the UK this process incorporates the EU requirement for *Strategic Environmental Assessment* of plans or programmes.

Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS): local authorities are required to prepare these, with the aim of improving the social, environmental and economic well being of their areas in conjunction with local public, private, voluntary and community sectors.

Appendix A – Geographical Plan Coverage





Appendix B – Minerals and Waste Timetable

Minerals Local Plan

Stage	Dates	Completed
Minerals Safeguarding Consultation	April 2009	Yes

Stage	Dates	Completed
Issues and Options Consultation	27 January – 30 March 2012	Yes

Stage	Dates	Completed
Preferred Approach Consultation	September 2013	No
Submission Draft consultation	April 2014	No
Submission	August 2014	No
Pre-hearing meeting	October 2014	No
Examination	December 2014	No
Adoption	March 2015	No

Waste Development Framework

Waste Core Strategy:

Stage	Dates	Completed
Waste Core Strategy Issues and Options Consultation	23 October – 8 December 2006	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Further Issues and Options Consultation	3 September – 29 October 2010	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Preferred Approach Consultation	22 July – 16 September 2011	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Proposed Submission Draft	5 March – 30 April 2012	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Submission	January 2013	Yes
Waste Core Strategy Pre-hearing meeting	March 2013	No

Waste Core Strategy Examination Hearing	May 2013	No
Waste Core Strategy Adoption	July 2013	No

Waste Site Allocations and Development Management Policies:

Stage	Dates	Completed
Waste Site Allocations and Development Management Polices Preferred Approach	February 2014	No
Waste Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Submission Draft	September 2014	No
Waste Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Submission	January 2015	No
Waste Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Pre-hearing meeting	April 2015	No
Waste Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Examination	May 2015	No
Waste Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Adoption	August 2015	No

14th March 2013

Agenda Item: 5

REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHWAYS

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME (LIS) INFORMATION REPORT COUNTY HALL MEMORIAL.

Purpose of the Report

1. This report provides an update and information on the proposed war memorial to be located outside County Hall, following the Policy Committee on the 13th March 2013.

Information and Advice

2. At its meeting of 1st November 2012, the County Council resolved to replace the current mosaic outside the main entrance of County Hall with a permanent memorial.
3. The current mosaic, which was laid over 23 years ago, is in a very poor state of repair. Its replacement presents the Council with an opportunity to provide a lasting memorial to honour men and women from the armed forces, emergency services and others who have lost their lives in service of this county and country.
4. Memorials play an important role in society, acting as historical touchstones. They link the past to the present and provide a focal point for people to remember and respect the sacrifice of those who died, fought, participated or were affected by conflict, or who died in fulfilling their public service duties. Memorials are also an important source of information for young people in understanding the sacrifices made by past generations.
5. Following the Council's decision in November, designs have been progressed, resulting in a proposal for implementation. The new memorial will be a unique fitting tribute of robust construction to stand the test of time. The proposed design options have been submitted to Policy Committee for approval at its meeting on 13 March 2013 (with a recommendation that design option one be approved). At its meeting on 14 March, Environment & Sustainability Committee will be informed of the outcomes of Policy Committee's consideration.

6. It is proposed that the memorial be surrounded by solar powered lights to represent an eternal flame and the relevance of the compass being representative of the four corners of the county. The suggested logos represent the three oldest seats of governance in the county, these being Nottinghamshire County Council (logo and coat of arms), The High Sheriff of Nottingham and the Lord-lieutenant of Nottinghamshire which will be replicated in full colour. Consideration is also being given to protecting the memorial by means of a low level removable chain fence. The design has the flexibility if desired at a later date to accommodate a statue in the centre. This option could provide the opportunity for the people of Nottinghamshire to be engaged in a design competition if considered appropriate.
7. Appendix A shows the three concept design options which will be considered by Policy Committee. If approved the works would be undertaken in May with an anticipated completion date of mid June. Based on cost, long term maintenance and deliverability option one provides the best value, with an estimated target cost of £40,000.

Other Options Considered

8. Other design options are set out in Appendix A.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, 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 legal advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

10. £40,000 has been allocated from contingency to meet the cost of the memorial.

RECOMMENDATIONS

11. It is RECOMMENDED that Committee notes the update position on the development of the new memorial at County Hall.

COUNCILLOR RICHARD BUTLER

Cabinet Member for Environment & Sustainability

Legal Services' Comments (SHB 01.03.13)

As this Report is for noting only no constitutional comments are required

Financial Comments (TMR 01/03/13)

The financial implications are set out in paragraph 10 of the report

Background Papers Available for Inspection

None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All

Appendix A

Option One - compass design

£40,000.00



Suggested wording:

In proud and grateful memory of the men and women of Nottinghamshire who have sacrificed their lives for others and for freedom. We will remember them.

Materials:

Green granite with gold painted lettering

Appendix A

Option Two - remember design

£51,000.00



Suggested wording:

In proud and grateful memory of the men and women of Nottinghamshire who have sacrificed their lives for others and for freedom. We will remember them.

Materials:

Black granite with white granite inlayed text

Appendix A

Option Three - raised remembrance design £75,000.00



Suggested wording:

In proud and grateful memory of the men and women of Nottinghamshire who have sacrificed their lives for others and for freedom. We will remember them.

Materials:

Black granite with white granite inlay on a stainless steel base.

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Agenda Item: 6

REPORT OF GROUP MANAGER, PLANNING

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 and central government.

Information and Advice

2. Policy, Planning and Corporate Services has received 17 planning consultations during the period 2nd January-31st January 2013.
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, 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.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) This report is for information only.

Sally Gill
Planning Group Manager

For any enquiries about this report please contact: Nina Wilson, Principal Planning Officer, Planning Policy Team, ext 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 – January 2012**

Date Received	ID	Address	Details	Officer Dealing	Response Type	Notes
Ashfield District Council						
02.01.13	Ashfield District Council V/2012/0581	Land off the Twitchell, Sutton in Ashfield	Amendment to approved Planning Permission V/2008/0524 to substitute Apartments for Dwellings and other Works to Plots 1, 4, 10, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 32 and 33	NW	O	Letter sent 14 January
02.01.13	Ashfield District Council V/2012/0590	Greenwood Falls Farm, Mill Lane, Huthwaite, Sutton in Ashfield	Plot Substitution of Plots 24-36 of Previous Approval V/2012/0275	NW	O	Letter sent 7 th January
02.01.13	Ashfield District Council V/2012/0598	Sutton Pools Complex, Brook Street, Sutton in Ashfield	Apartment Block, Bungalows and Community Room with Associated Landscaping, Parking etc	NW	O	Letter sent 7 January
Bassetlaw District Council						
02.01.13	Bassetlaw District Council 01/11/00311	Land off West Hill Road, Ordsall, Retford	Outline application for a major residential development of upto 230 units including roads, access and open spaces	NW	O	Letter sent 7 January
21.01.13	Bassetlaw District Council 12/01791/FUL	Development East of Carlton Road, Worksop	Application for Temporary Vehicular Construction Access and Egress and Erection of	NW	O	Letter sent 24 January (Paperwork sent to the Rights of

			13no Temporary Lighting Columns along Southern Boundary			Way Team)
Date Received	ID	Address	Details	Officer Dealing	Response Type	Notes
Gedling Borough Council						
02.01.13	Gedling Borough Council 2012/1489	47A Riverside, Stoke Lane, Stoke Bardolph	Extension and conversion of apple store into bedroom	KH	O	Letter sent 22 January
21.01.13	Gedling Borough Council 2012/1524	The Stables, Main Street, Woodborough	2 Dormer windows on front elevation to existing annex bedroom. Conversion of part of the garage into habitable room	KH	O	On-going
21.01.13	Gedling Borough Council 2012/1498	101 Lowdham Lane, Woodborough	Demolish existing property, and erect replacement dwelling and garage (Resubmission of Appn No. 2011/1025)	KH	O	On-going
22.01.13	Gedling Borough Council 2012/1456	Gedling Country Park, Spring Lane, Gedling	Creation of a country park, including a new access road, car park for 40 spaces and surfaced paths	KH	O	On-going
25.01.13	Gedling Borough Council 2013/0015	234 Nottingham Road, Burton Joyce	Proposed extensions, alterations and alterations to front garden/raised area	KH	O	On-going
31.01.13	Gedling Borough Council 2013/0030	169 Mansfield Road, Papplewick	Replacement dwelling (following demolition of existing bungalow)	KH	O	On-going
Rushcliffe Borough Council						
04.01.13	Rushcliffe Borough Council 12/02002/FUL	Top Farm, Main Street, Screveton	Convert existing barn and outbuildings to dwelling and	NW	O	Letter sent 14 January

			garage			
21.01.13	Rushcliffe Borough Council 12/02173/OUT	OS Field 4570, Woodgate Road, East Leake	Residential development of up to 65 dwellings; access; amenity space; allotments (car park) and attenuation pond	NW	O	Letter sent 24 January
Date Received	ID	Address	Details	Officer Dealing	Response Type	Notes
21.01.13	Rushcliffe Borough Council 13/00077/FUL	Land South of Hill House, Station Road, Orston	Widen access to improve access for agricultural machinery (retrospective application)	NW	O	Letter sent 24 January
25.01.13	Rushcliffe Borough Council 13/00097/FUL	OS Field 8883, Longhedge Lane, Orston	New poultry unit	NW	O	Letter sent 4 February
Other Consultations						
22.01.13	Melton Borough Council		Melton Local Development Scheme	NW	O	On-going
30.01.13	City of Lincoln Council		Central Lincolnshire Local Plan: Core Strategy – Consultation on Area Policies for Lincoln, Gainsborough and Sleaford (January 2013)	LB	O	On-going

Response type

- C Committee
- O Officer

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Agenda Item: 7

**REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, POLICY, PLANNING AND
CORPORATE SERVICES**

WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider the Committee's work programme for 2012/13.

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, 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.

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: Keith Ford, Senior Democratic Services Officer on 0115 9772590

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>
18th April 2013				
Strategic Planning Observations	Summary of applications received.	Decision.	Sally Gill	
Nottinghamshire Switch 'n' Save Scheme	Update on recently launched scheme.	Information	Jas Hundal	Mick Allen
Strategic Planning Observations on a proposed single wind turbine, Stoke Bardolph	To agree the County Council response.	Decision	Sally Gill	Nina Wilson
Strategic Planning Observations on a proposed mixed use development at the former Stanton Ironworks	To agree the County Council response.	Decision	Sally Gill	Nina Wilson
Items to be scheduled for future meetings (dates to be confirmed)				
Photovoltaic forms of renewable energy	Further discussion of relevant issues following initial consideration of renewable energy at the Committee meeting of 29 November 2012.	Information	Jas Hundal	Mick Allen
Review of Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs)	Strategic and operational study into effectiveness of HWRC.	Information	Jas Hundal	
Review of Waste Minimisation and Recycling Initiatives	Consideration of options to progress recycling and waste minimisation across the County.	Information	Jas Hundal	

Dates and Deadlines for Environment & Sustainability Committee

<u>Report deadline</u>	<u>Date of pre-agenda</u>	<u>Agenda publication</u>	<u>Date of Committee</u>
20 February 2013 – 10am	25 February 2013 – 2pm	6 March 2013	14 March 2013
25 March 2013 – 10am	28 March 2013 – 2pm	10 April 2013	18 April 2013

*Early due to Bank Holidays