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Dear Parish Clerk,

### **Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Preferred Options Consultation**

I am writing to inform you that the Preferred Options Consultation on the Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan (M&WLP) will take place over a six-week period from **18 September to 30 October 2019** (inclusive), and I would welcome your comments.

The Minerals and Waste Local Plan will contain policies used to determine planning applications for minerals developments and waste management facilities in Norfolk and will cover the period up to 2036. When adopted, it will replace the existing M&WLP documents.

The M&WLP includes a forecast of the quantities of waste that need to be planned for over the Plan period to 2036 and criteria-based policies to determine planning applications for waste management facilities. The Preferred Options document does not allocate specific sites for waste management facilities.

The M&WLP includes the forecast quantities of sand and gravel (1,868,000 tonnes per annum), carstone (121,400 tpa) and silica sand (750,000 tpa) that need to be planned for during the period to 2036, in order to provide a steady and adequate supply of minerals, and the policies to be used to determined planning applications for mineral extraction and associated development.

The Preferred Options document also includes all the sites that were proposed for mineral extraction in response to a 'call for mineral extraction sites' carried out for the purpose of the M&WLP: 40 sites for sand and gravel extraction, one site for carstone extraction and 3 sites for silica sand extraction, and a conclusion on the suitability of each site. The Preferred Options document also includes four areas of search for future silica sand extraction.

Full details of the proposed sites, site assessments and policies are contained within the Preferred Options document, which is available on Norfolk County Council's website at [www.norfolk.gov.uk/nmwdf](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/nmwdf) on the 'Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review' page.

Attached to this email is a list of all of the parishes in Norfolk where there is a proposed site in the Preferred Options Consultation document.

In addition to the Preferred Options Consultation document, the following documents which provide information to support the M&WLP have also been published:

Sustainability Appraisal Report (Parts A and B) (shows social, environmental and economic impacts of the M&WLP)

Habitats Regulations Assessment Task 1 (of impacts on European-designated nature conservation sites)

Waste Management Capacity Assessment (contains data on current waste management capacity, waste movements, existing and forecast waste arising in Norfolk)

Silica Sand AOS E and SIL 02 - Historic Environment Impact Assessment - Designated Heritage Assets (assesses the impact of Area of Search E and site SIL 02 on the setting of Listed Buildings and Scheduled Monuments)

All documents are available on Norfolk County Council's website at [www.norfolk.gov.uk/nmwdf](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/nmwdf) on the 'Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review' page.

These documents are available for public inspection, free of charge, within normal opening hours during the consultation period, at:

- Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2DH
- Breckland District Council, Elizabeth House, Walpole Loke, East Dereham, NR19 1EE
- Broadland District Council, Thorpe Lodge, Yarmouth Road, Norwich, NR7 0DU
- Great Yarmouth Borough Council, Town Hall, Great Yarmouth, NR30 2QF
- Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk, King's Court, Chapel Street, King's Lynn, PE30 1EX
- North Norfolk District Council, Holt Road, Cromer, NR27 9EL
- Norwich City Council, City Hall, Bethel Street, Norwich, NR2 1NH
- South Norfolk Council, South Norfolk House, Swan Lane, Long Stratton, NR15 2XE
- The Broads Authority, Yare House, 62-64 Thorpe Road, Norwich, NR1 1RY

Where possible the County Council would prefer comments to be made directly to <https://norfolk.jdi-consult.net/localplan/> however, responses by post and email, to the following address, will also be accepted.

Email: [LDF@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:LDF@norfolk.gov.uk)

Post: Planning Services, Norfolk County Council, CES, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2DH

Any comments that you send will be published on Norfolk County Council's website.

**All comments, using whatever method, must be made by 5pm on 30 October 2019.**

Following the end of the consultation period, the Submission version of the M&WLP will be prepared, taking into account the comments made during the Preferred Options Consultation. The Submission version of the M&WLP will be subject to a formal representations period prior to submission for examination by a Planning Inspector on behalf of the Secretary of State.

Any enquiries should be made to [LDF@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:LDF@norfolk.gov.uk).

Please also contact Norfolk County Council if you do not wish to receive any further correspondence regarding the M&WLPR.

Regards

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