Oxfordshire County Council Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy Suggested Proposed Modifications

Schedule of the County Council's Suggested Proposed Modifications to the Core Strategy

Proposed changes are indicated by strikethrough (text to be removed) and underlined (text to be inserted) as relevant.

The following denotation has been used to differentiate between major modifications and additional modifications:

Main Modification	Main
Additional Modification	Additional

Please note that footnotes are only referred to where a change is proposed. Their absence is not indicative of them being removed from the Plan.

Core Strategy Ref	Suggested Proposed Modification	Reason for Change/ Type of modification
1.6	In view of the age and outdated nature of the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan (adopted July 1996) and the significant delay in the adoption of a new Plan (the Core Strategy) with up to date policies that would result from changing to a single plan, there is a clear justification for continuing with the preparation of separate Core Strategy and Site Allocations Documents.	Typo Additional

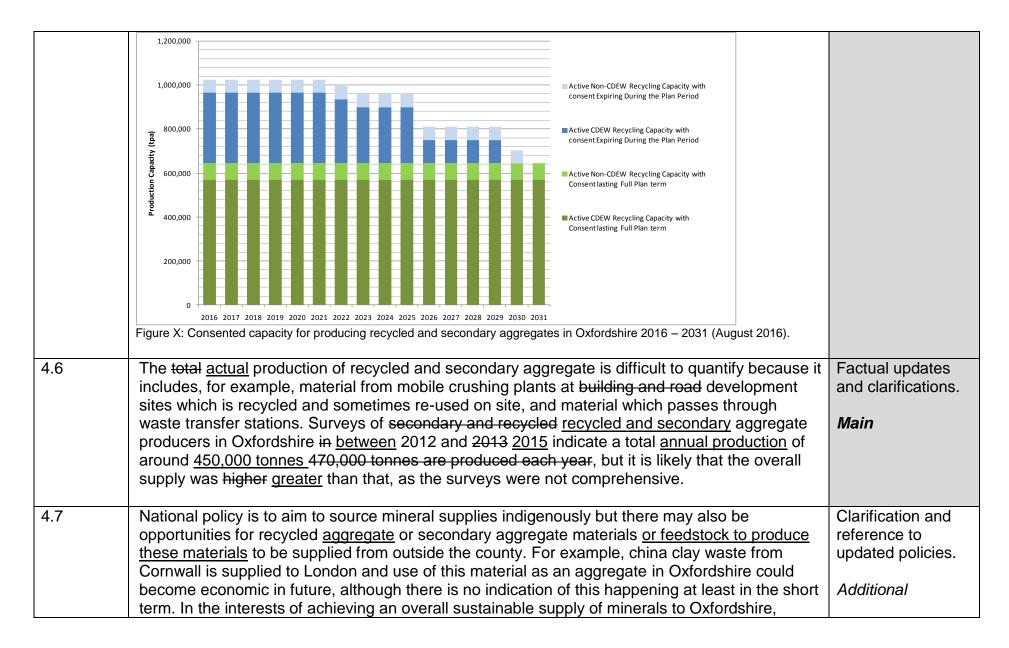
1.7	The policies in the Core Strategy will, when it is adopted, replace policies in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan (1996). Appendix 1 sets out a schedule of existing saved development plan policies that are replaced by policies policies in the Core Strategy. It also lists existing saved development plan policies policies that will be replaced by policies policies in the Site Allocations Document.	Typos Additional
2.1	Oxfordshire is renowned for its knowledge-based economy and research and development facilities. It is also the most rural county in the South East of England. It has seven Special Areas of Conservation, protected by European legislation; numerous Sites of Special Scientific Interest and other sites of importance for biodiversity and geodiversity; a rich variety of landscapes, with almost a quarter of the land area within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty; numerous historic buildings and historic assets; Blenheim Palace World Heritage Site; extensive archaeological assets; and areas of high grade agricultural land, including where sand and gravel is located along the River Thames and its tributaries. An area around Oxford is Green Belt. Figure 1 shows the main protected areas in the county.	To address representation 120/2. Additional
2.22	The Government published a new the national Waste Management Plan for England in December 2013. This sets out the Government's ambition to work towards a more sustainable and efficient approach to resource use and management. It is a high level document which provides an analysis of the current waste management situation in England and evaluates how it will support implementation of the objectives and provisions of the Waste Framework Directive. It sets out the policies that are in place to help move towards a zero waste economy as part of the transition to a more sustainable economy.	Points of clarification Additional

2.23	Policy Statement 10 'P role that planning plays sustainable waste man Delivering sustain up the waste hiera Ensuring waste m Providing a frame their own waste, i proximity principle	nanagement is considered alongside other spatial planning work in which communities and businesses take more recluding enabling waste to be disposed or recovered in e; and re-use, recovery or disposal of waste without endanger	11. It sets out the ns for more Additional Instemanagement and concerns; Instemanagement are sponsibility for line with the
2.31	The Development Plan for Oxfordshire comprises the <u>City and</u> District Councils' adopted Local Plans, the adopted Minerals and Waste Local Plan and any adopted Neighbourhood Plans. Local plans prepared by the City and District Councils contain policies that are also relevant to minerals and waste planning. The <u>current</u> position with local plans in Oxfordshire <u>at January 2017</u> is shown in the following table.		
	District Council	Adopted Plan	
	Cherwell	Local Plan (1996 2015)* - saved policies	
	Oxford City	Core Strategy (March 2011)***	
	South Oxfordshire	Core Strategy (December 2012)******	
	Vale of White Horse	Local Plan (July 2006) – saved policies	
	West Oxfordshire	Local Plan (June 2006) – saved policies	
	** * a Sites and Housing Developr Oxford Local Plan 2001-2016 (200	I Plan 2011 is also relevant to the determination of planning applications. nent Plan Document and 2 Area Action Plans have also been adopted and there are 6). s of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2011 (2006).	e saved policies of the
2.51		ns Assessment screening report has been reviewed and insultation on the draft Core Strategy and changes that	•
		f time. Natural England has been consulted on the scree	

	their comments have been taken into account. The consultants' report (January 2012) continues to be relevant and forms an addendum to the updated screening report. Changes have been made to the Core Strategy where necessary to take account of conclusions from the assessment, including the consultant's report. The screening report finds that the polices policies and proposals of the Core Strategy are not considered to have a likely significant effect on any Special Area of Conservation.	
3.3	The vision for minerals planning in Oxfordshire in 2031 is that:	To address representation 120/5.
	 b) Mineral workings and supply facilities will be located and managed to minimise: the distance that aggregates need to be transported by road from source to market; the use of unsuitable roads, particularly through settlements; and other harmful impacts of mineral extraction, processing and transportation on Oxfordshire's communities and <u>natural and historic</u> environment. 	Additional
3.6	The vision for waste planning in Oxfordshire in 2031 is that:	To address representation 120/7.
	c) Waste management facilities will be distributed across the county, with larger-scale and specialist facilities being located at or close to Oxford and other large towns, particularly the growth areas, and close to main transport links, and with smaller-scale facilities serving more local areas. Facilities will be located and managed to minimise the use of unsuitable roads, particularly through settlements, and other harmful impacts of waste management development on Oxfordshire's communities and natural and historic environment. This network of waste management facilities will have helped to build more sustainable communities that increasingly take responsibility for their own waste and keep to a minimum the distance waste needs to be moved within the county.	Additional
3.7	The Oxfordshire Waste Planning Vision is supported by the following objectives which underpin the waste strategy and policies in this plan:	To address representation

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	 iv Seek to provide for waste to be managed as close as possible to where it arises, and encourage other Waste Planning Authorities areas to become net self-sufficient in meeting their own waste needs, to: minimise the distance waste needs to be transported by road; reduce adverse impacts of waste transportation on local communities and the environment; and enable communities to take responsibility for their own waste. 	Additional
4.1	This section sets out the County Council's minerals planning strategy and policies for the plan period to 2031. Provision must be made for a steady and adequate supply of aggregate minerals over this period. The Council intends that this will be achieved: firstly by encouraging the increased supply use of secondary and recycled recycled and secondary aggregates; and secondly as well as by making provision identifying areas for the remaining need to be met from mineral working to meet the need for primary aggregates such as sand and gravel and crushed rock.	To place greater emphasis on using secondary and recycled aggregates in preference to primary aggregates in providing a steady and adequate supply of aggregate minerals. In line with Examination Document H10. Main
4.2	The strategy includes a spatial strategy for the delivery of the new mineral workings and other mineral supply facilities that are expected to be needed, which is illustrated on the minerals key diagram (Figure 9) at the end of this section, and policies which provide the context for considering future proposals for minerals development. Spatial elements of the strategy,	To reflect that the content of the minerals key diagram is now

	including principal locations for working aggregate minerals (strategic resource areas), mineral safeguarding areas and safeguarded aggregate rail depots, are shown on the Policies Map. It provides a policy framework for the identification of suitable sites in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document and against which planning applications for new mineral workings and other developments will be considered.	shown on the policies map. Main
4.4	In line with national policy, the contribution that recycled and secondary material can make to aggregate supply in Oxfordshire should be taken into account before the extraction of primary minerals is considered. Recycled and secondary aggregate in Oxfordshire currently includes: Locally derived construction, and demolition and excavation waste; Locally derived road planings; Spent rail ballast (brought in by rail to a site at Sutton Courtenay); Incinerator bottom ash (from Ardley energy recovery facility). 	Clarification Additional
4.5	Oxfordshire has permitted <u>and operational</u> capacity for <u>recycling producing</u> approximately 0.9 <u>1.0</u> million tonnes a <u>year per annum</u> of <u>construction and demolition waste recycled and secondary aggregate</u> (<u>much of this some of which</u> is in temporary, <u>sites being located</u> at <u>time-limited</u> quarries and landfill sites). <u>This total comprises capacities of approximately 0.9 million tonnes per annum for producing aggregate from recycling of construction demolition and excavation waste and 0.1 million tonnes per annum for producing secondary aggregate. Didcot A power station ceased to operate during 2013 and ash recycling at Didcot is not included in this figure. The processing of <u>around 75,000 tonnes per annum of incinerator bottom</u> ash from the new energy recovery facility at Ardley for use as a secondary aggregate commenced in 2015 <u>and is included in the figure</u>. However, these secondary aggregates have different end uses: the power station ash was used for block making whereas incinerator bottom ash is largely used for <u>sub-base in road construction</u>. <u>Figure X shows the timeline for consented capacity in Oxfordshire over the plan period, as at August 2016</u>.</u>	Factual updates and clarifications. <i>Main</i>



4.8	where such material is sourced from distance it should where practicable be transported by rail rather than by road. This is supported by policy M9 which safeguards existing aggregate import rail depots and policy M6 which provides for the development of additional rail depot capacity. The supply of recycled and secondary aggregates in Oxfordshire will be limited largely by the scale of construction and demolition activity within or in the vicinity of the County and the type and quantity of feedstock material available from that source for recycling. The aggregate materials produced generally vary in quality and cannot meet all specifications; for higher specification applications such as load bearing concrete, use of high quality land-won aggregate is usually the only practicable option.	Clarifications <i>Main</i>
4.9	The earlier (withdrawn) Minerals and Waste Core Strategy included a policy target for recycled and secondary aggregate facility provision of 0.9 million tonnes per year. That target was from the now revoked South East Plan. It is now more appropriate for policy M1 not to set a specific target, which could be misconstrued as setting a maximum level to be achieved, but rather seek to maximise the contribution to aggregate supply in Oxfordshire from recycled and secondary aggregate sources. Policy M1 is a positive policy to enable facilities to be provided in order to achieve this objective. The production of recycled and secondary aggregate will continue to be monitored to check whether this is being achieved through this policy or whether a different approach needs to be considered.	To place greater emphasis on using secondary and recycled aggregates in preference to primary aggregates in providing a steady and adequate
	The Council supports the principle of maximising the contribution from recycled and secondary material sources to aggregate supply in Oxfordshire and wishes to encourage opportunities to develop capacity that enables more intensive processing to maximise recycled aggregate production, in line with plan objective 3.4i. Policy M1 is a positive policy to enable facilities to be provided in order to achieve this. This policy sets no target or ceiling for the amount of provision to be made but it includes a minimum level of production and/or supply of recycled and secondary aggregate that is to be enabled throughout the plan period though making provision for facilities. There will be a decrease in capacity to produce recycled and secondary aggregates from existing facilities over the Plan period, as time-limited permissions expire as indicated in Figure X above. Under policy M1, such lost capacity will at least need to be replaced. Sales and capacity for production of recycled and secondary aggregates will continue to be monitored on	supply of aggregate minerals. In line with Examination Document H10. Main

	an annual basis to check whether the Council's objective is being met through this policy or whether a different approach needs to be considered.	
4.10	The targets in policy W2 for recycling of construction, demolition and excavation waste (increasing to 60% by 2021 70% by 2031) and Policies W1, W3, W4 and W5 on making provision for waste management capacity and the location requirements and provision and siting of facilities will operate in conjunction with policy M1 to enable delivery of facilities for recycled aggregate production, which is expected to form the majority of recycled and secondary aggregate supply in Oxfordshire.	Consequential update (CDE 70% recycling target) and clarifications. Additional
4.11	Provision for additional facilities for the production of recycled aggregates from construction and demolition waste will be made through the <u>allocation</u> identification of sites in the Site Allocations Document, in line with <u>policy M1</u> . <u>policies W3</u> , W4 and W5 on waste management capacity requirements and provision and siting of facilities. <u>Facilities that produce recycled aggregate from construction</u> , demolition and excavation waste are also waste management facilities and therefore policy W3 on provision for waste management capacity and facilities required and policies W4 and W5 on location and siting of waste management facilities are also relevant. <u>Policies M1</u> and W3 take a consistent approach to making provision for these facilities; and policy M1 requires allocated sites to be in accordance with polices W4 and W5. Additional facilities may be permitted at other sites where the requirements of relevant policies of the Plan, including Policies M1, W4 and W5, are met. Policy W5 C12 includes provision for recycling facilities to be located within the Green Belt where very special circumstances have been are demonstrated; and policy C8 allows for small-scale facilities serving local needs to be provided in Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Recycled and secondary aggregate facilities with permanent permission, or with temporary permission extending at least to the end of the plan period, will be safeguarded under policy M9 and/or policy W11 and these safeguarded sites will also be identified and defined in the Site Allocations Document. Restoration of the The sites of time-limited temporary facilities, including those located at quarries and landfill sites, will be required should be restored in line with policy M10 when the facility is removed, in accordance with any restoration requirements in the planning permission.	Consequential updates and to clarify that provision for recycled and secondary aggregate facilities will not be capped according to a capacity requirement, in line with Examination Document H10. Main
Policy	Policy M1: Recycled and secondary aggregate	To address

M1(4.12)

So far as is practicable, the need for aggregate mineral supply to meet demand in Oxfordshire should be met from recycled and secondary aggregate materials in preference to primary aggregates, in order to minimise the need to work primary aggregates.

The production and supply of recycled and secondary aggregate will be encouraged, in particular through:

- recycling of construction, demolition and excavation waste;
- recycling of road planings;
- recycling of rail ballast;
- · recovery of ash from combustion processes; and
- where available, the supply of secondary aggregates from sources outside Oxfordshire:.

to enable the contribution made by these materials towards meeting the need for aggregates in Oxfordshire to be maximised.

The production and supply of recycled and secondary aggregate, including that which improves waste separation and the range or quality of end products, will be encouraged so as to enable the maximum delivery of recycled and secondary aggregate within Oxfordshire. Where practicable, the transport of recycled and secondary aggregate materials (both feedstock and processed materials) from locations remote from sources distant to Oxfordshire should be by rail.

Permission will be granted for facilities for the production and/or supply of recycled and secondary aggregate, including temporary recycled aggregate facilities at aggregate quarries and inert waste landfill sites, at locations that meet the criteria in polices W4, W5 and C1 – C11. Proposals for temporary facilities shall provide for the satisfactory removal of the facility. At mineral working and landfill sites the facility shall be removed when or before the host activity ceases. Temporary facility sites shall be restored in accordance with the requirements of policy M10 for restoration of mineral workings.

representation 098/ac/1 and 113-116/6 in part.

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Sites for the production and/or supply of recycled and secondary aggregate will be safeguarded in accordance with policy W11.

Sites proposed or safeguarded for the production and/or supply of recycled and secondary aggregate will be identified in the Minerals & Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document.

<u>Provision will be made for facilities to enable the production and/or supply of a minimum of 0.926 million tonnes of recycled and secondary aggregates per annum.</u>

Sites which are suitable for facilities for the production and/or supply of recycled and secondary aggregates at locations that are in accordance with policies W4 and W5 and other relevant policies of this Plan and of other development plans will be allocated in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document. Permission will be granted for such facilities at these allocated sites provided that the requirements of policies C1 – C12 are met.

Permission will normally be granted for recycled and secondary aggregate facilities at other sites, including for temporary recycled aggregate facilities at aggregate quarries and landfill sites, that are located in accordance with policies W4 and W5 and that meet the requirements of policies C1 – C12, taking into account the benefits of providing additional recycled and secondary aggregate capacity and unless the adverse impacts of doing so demonstrably outweigh the benefits. Where permission is granted for such a facility at a time-limited mineral working or landfill site this will normally be subject to the same time limit as that applying to the host facility and the site shall be restored in accordance with the requirements of policy M10 for restoration of mineral workings at the end of its permitted period. Except where a new planning permission is granted for retention of the facility beyond its permitted end date, temporary facility sites shall be restored at the end of their permitted period.

Sites for the production and/or supply of recycled and secondary aggregate will be safeguarded under Policy M9 and/or W11 and safeguarded sites will be defined in the Site

	Allocations Document.	
4.14	The County Council's Oxfordshire Local Aggregate Assessment 2014 sets the following requirements for provision for land-won aggregate supply: • Sharp sand and gravel – 1.015 million tonnes a year; • Soft sand – 0.189 million tonnes a year; • Total sand and gravel – 1.204 million tonnes a year; • Crushed rock – 0.584 million tonnes a year. These figures will be revised on an annual basis through the annual Local Aggregate Assessment and will be superseded by the figures in the most recent Local Aggregate Assessment.	To ensure clarity and consistency with the change to policy M2 to include specific provision figures. Main
4.15	Due to particular factors in Oxfordshire, as identified in the Local Aggregate Assessment 2014, for sharp sand and gravel and crushed rock these figures are higher than the 10 year average (2004 – 2013) of sales from Oxfordshire's quarries. In the case of soft sand the 10 year sales average (2003 – 2012) has been used. These figures are higher than the levels of sales in 2013 and in the case of sharp sand and gravel are higher than sales in 2014 and 2015. They provide significant headroom to accommodate possible changes in local circumstances such as an increase in economic activity and consequent demand for aggregates. Oxfordshire has been a net importer of sharp sand and gravel in recent years but these levels of provision will allow local production to increase again such that Oxfordshire meets its own needs for sharp sand and gravel, with flexibility for appropriate cross-boundary movements of aggregates. These provision figures will also allow Oxfordshire to continue to be a net exporter of soft sand, which is a less common widely distributed mineral.	To address representation 070/8 in part and factual update. Additional
4.18	The Local Aggregate Assessment is to be reviewed annually and the provision figures are likely to change as the 10 year sales average period moves forward and other relevant local information changes. Regular monitoring of aggregates supply and demand in Oxfordshire will be carried out through the plan period and will be recorded in the Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports and used in the annual reviews of the Local Aggregate Assessment.	To ensure clarity and consistency with the change to policy M2 to include specific provision figures.

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4.19	The current Based on the Local Aggregate Assessment 2014 annual provision figures, the total	To replace deleted
	requirements over the plan period 2014 to 2031 are:	Table 2 and reflect
	 Sharp sand and gravel – 18.270 million tonnes (1.015 x 18); 	modification to
	 Soft sand – 3.402 million tonnes (0.189 x 18); and 	policy M2 and
	 Crushed rock – 10.512 million tonnes (0.584 x 18). 	factual update.
	The Plan needs to make provision to enable the supply of these quantities of primary aggregate	
	minerals from land won sources in Oxfordshire over the plan period. This is set out in policy M2.	Main
	Taking into account actual sales in 2014 and 2015, permitted reserves remaining at the end of	
	2015 (excluding reserves that are not expected to be worked during the plan period*) and	
	permissions granted in 2016**, indicate the following additional requirements for which provision	
	needs to be made over the plan period (2014 to 2031), taking into account existing planning	
	permissions are approximately:	
	 Sharp sand and gravel – 8.866 5.0 million tonnes; 	
	 Soft sand – 1.238 <u>1.3</u> million tonnes; and 	
	 Crushed rock – no additional requirement. 	
	If 'reserves' subject to a resolution to grant permission are also taken into account, the additional	
	requirement for sharp sand and gravel is reduced to approximately 5.4 million tonnes. Table 2	
	shows how these requirements are calculated. This is the position as at the end of 2016 but	
	these additional requirements may change over time, as actual sales and remaining permitted	
	reserves figures for further years become available, and if further planning permissions are	
	granted. The additional requirements for each aggregate mineral type, for which provision needs	
	to be made, will therefore be recalculated when the Site Allocations Document is prepared.	
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	Footnotes: * The planning application for an extension to Cill Mill Quarry submitted in 2012 and permitted	
	* The planning application for an extension to Gill Mill Quarry submitted in 2013 and permitted in 2015 is for the working of a total of 7.8 million tonnes of sharp sand and gravel (including	
	2.8 million tonnes previously permitted and 5.0 million tonnes in the extension area).	
	Information in the application indicates this will be worked over 22 years from 2013, giving an	
	average rate of working of approximately 0.35 million tonnes per annum. Mineral working at	
	Gill Mill Quarry is therefore expected to extend beyond the end of the plan period (2031); of	
	the total of 7.8 million tonnes, it is estimated approximately 6.65 million tonnes will be worked	
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4.20	within the plan period and approximately 1.15 million tonnes will remain to be worked after 2031. ** Permissions granted in 2016 comprise: Sharp sand and gravel: Sutton Wick Quarry – extension (0.35 million tonnes) – permission granted 18 March 2016); Bridge Farm, Sutton Courtenay Quarry – deeper working (0.165 million tonnes) – permission granted 17 May 2016. This is the current position but this-The requirement for aggregate mineral working in the county may change over the plan period if the levels of annual provision change as the Local Aggregate Assessment is reviewed annually. Such changes are likely to be relatively small from one year to another but may add up to more substantial change over a period of years. The strategy for mineral working therefore needs to have sufficient includes flexibility to allow for changes in demand for locally supplied aggregates; policy M2 requires landbanks to be maintained in accordance with the most recent Local Aggregate Assessment and taking into account the need to maintain sufficient productive capacity; and policy M5 provides for permission to be granted where the need for aggregate supply cannot be met from allocated sites. Policy M2 therefore does not include the figures from the current Local Aggregate Assessment but instead makes a policy commitment to meeting the requirements in the most recent Local Aggregate Assessment. Provision to meet these requirements in policy M2 will be made through the locations for mineral working identified in policy M3 and the allocation of specific sites for mineral working in the Site Allocations Document under policy policies M3 and M4, taking into account the need for appropriate flexibility to enable the plan to be delivered.	For clarification and to reflect deletion of Table 2 and modifications to policy M2 and the supporting text. Main
Table 2	Table 2: Aggregate provision required over plan period 2014 – 2031 Delete Table 2	Main
Policy M2 (4.21)	Policy M2: Provision for working aggregate minerals Provision will be made through policies M3 and M4 to enable the supply of: aggregate minerals	To address representations 082/3, 082/ac/1, 098/ac/2, 125/2

	 sharp sand and gravel - 1.015 mtpa giving a total provision requirement of 18.270 million tonnes soft sand - 0.189 mtpa giving a total provision requirement of 3.402 million tonnes crushed rock - 0.584 mtpa giving a total provision requirement of 10.512 million tonnes from land-won sources within Oxfordshire to meet the requirement identified in the most recent Local Aggregate Assessment throughout for the period to the end of 2014 – 2031 inclusive. Permission will be granted for aggregate mineral working under policy M5 to enable separate landbanks of reserves with planning permission to be maintained for the extraction of minerals of: at least 7 years for sharp sand and gravel; at least 7 years for soft sand; at least 10 years for crushed rock; in accordance with the annual requirement rates in the most recent Local Aggregate Assessment, taking into account the need to maintain sufficient productive capacity to enable these rates to be realised. 	and 131/2. To address representations 098/5, 098/ac/2, 011/1, 031/1 and 117/4. Main
4.22	Minerals can only be extracted where they exist in the ground. The identification of locations where extraction is likely to be able to take place acceptably provides greater certainty of where mineral working will take place and where it will not take place. Policy M3 identifies the broad locations – strategic resource areas – within which it is proposed that future working for sharp sand and gravel, soft sand and crushed rock should take place. The strategic resource areas are indicated on the Minerals Key Diagram shown on the Policies Map. The term 'Strategic Resource Area' is defined in the Glossary, which explains that these areas differ from 'Areas of Search'.	For clarification Additional
4.23	Within these strategic resource areas, sites for working will be allocated in the Site Allocations Document, taking into account all the other relevant policies policies of the Core Strategy.	Typo Additional
4.24	The strategic resource areas have been broadly drawn based on available geological	To provide

	information broadly to encompass the areas of potentially workable mineral deposits within each area which, in terms of extent and probable depth of mineral, have the potential to provide new mineral working sites either in the form of new quarries or large extensions to existing quarries. Areas of mineral deposits that are limited in extent or depth and are unlikely to have potential for new mineral working sites other than small extensions to existing quarries have not been included in the strategic resource areas. The strategic resource areas include most of Oxfordshire's existing aggregate quarries (excluding ironstone quarries and quarries within Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and buffer zones to Special Areas of Conservation) but the existing quarries at Finmere (sharp sand and gravel) and Shipton-on-Cherwell (limestone), which have limited areas of mineral resource around them, are not included. In addition, the sharp sand and gravel deposits in the area around Bampton and Clanfield have not been included in a strategic resource area (see paragraph 4.33 below). In defining the strategic resource areas, Nnatural boundaries such as roads and rivers have been used where possible but elsewhere geological mapping information has been used. Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Special Areas of Conservation, and buffer zones adjacent to the latter, have been excluded but other designations and constraints have not been taken into account at this stage. Larger settlements have also been excluded, but individual and smaller groups of houses and other more isolated built developments have not been excluded at this stage. These areas also do not necessarily exclude land allocated or proposed to be allocated for development in adopted or emerging district local plans and neighbourhood plans. All these factors will be taken into account in the assessment of sites for allocation in the Site Allocations Document.	clarification and additional factual explanation. Additional
4.25	Policy M4 sets out the <u>factors that will be taken into account in assessing criteria that will be used to assess</u> potential sites for inclusion in the Site Allocations Document. Except where specified in the policy, these criteria <u>These factors</u> are not listed in any order of priority. The strategic areas identified and the specific sites that are subsequently allocated will provide a basis for the minerals industry to select sites for working and submit planning applications; and for those applications to be considered by the County Council, also taking into account all the other relevant policies of the Plan. Policy M5 provides for permission to be granted for applications for mineral working within identified sites. It also sets out <u>how applications</u>	For clarification and consequent to modifications to policies M4 and M5. Additional

	submitted prior to the adoption of the Site Allocations Document will be considered and the circumstances under which permission may exceptionally be granted for mineral working in locations that are not identified.	
4.26	The amount of provision that needs to be made through the allocation of sites for mineral working will be established in the Site Allocations Document, having regard to the levels of provision in the most recent Local Aggregate Assessment but also taking into account the need for appropriate flexibility to allow for possible changes in demand and the level of certainty that allocated sites will come forward for working. Table 2 above indicates that there is currently no requirement for additional provision for crushed rock working. The areas for crushed rock working identified in policy M3 are included as a contingency in the event that the requirement for local crushed rock increases significantly and additional permitted reserves are required to maintain the landbank and ensure an adequate level of supply.	Consequent to modification to policy M2, to include provision figures, which renders this paragraph redundant. Additional
4.27	At the current (2014) Local Aggregate Assessment 2014 requirement provision rate (1.015 million tonnes a year per annum), existing planning permissions could on average provide for a supply of sharp sand and gravel until 2027 2028, although in practice some sites will be exhausted sooner and others will last longer. In the case of Gill Mill Quarry, it is expected that part of the permitted reserve will not be worked until after the end of the plan period, i.e. after 2031 (see Table 2, note 2 * in paragraph 4.19). The strategy in this document makes provision for sharp sand and gravel for the rest of the plan period, to 2031.	For clarification and factual update. Additional
4.28	Production of sharp sand and gravel in Oxfordshire has become increasingly concentrated in the northern part of the county (Cherwell and West Oxfordshire Districts), particularly in West Oxfordshire District, with a decline in the proportion coming from quarries in the southern part (South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Districts). Over the last 10 years period 2006 – 2015, an average of 74% 70% of production has been from northern Oxfordshire. Similarly, of the total permitted reserves of sharp sand & gravel remaining at the beginning of 2016 (including permissions granted in 2016) estimated to be available for working during the plan period, 65% are in northern Oxfordshire. Oxfordshire's production capacity for sharp sand and gravel in 2016 is estimated to be subdivided 55% in northern Oxfordshire and 45% in southern Oxfordshire and without further planning permissions being granted the proportion in northern Oxfordshire is	For clarification and factual update and to provide additional relevant information. Additional

	expected to steadily increase over the plan period, to 100% by around 2028. Although there are	
	extensive remaining sand and gravel resources in the West Oxfordshire District part of northern	
	Oxfordshire, including within the current working areas of the Lower Windrush Valley and	
	around Cassington, there are concerns about the rate and intensity of mineral working in the this	
	area and the consequent cumulative impact on local communities, generation of traffic, including	
	on the A40, and impacts on local rivers and groundwater flows.	
4.29	Using four indicators of construction activity – population, housing, jobs and land for economic	To provide
7.23	development – and looking at both the existing situation and the forecast or planned position at	additional
	2031 within each of the five Oxfordshire District Council areas, there is an approximately equal	explanation of and
	split between northern Oxfordshire (Cherwell and West Oxfordshire Districts and half of Oxford	justification for
	City) and southern Oxfordshire (South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Districts and half of	modified policy
	Oxford City). There is a broadly equal split in existing and forecast levels of economic growth	M3.
	and development between the northern and southern parts of the county (taking Oxford as a	
	mid-point), and consequently Consequently, it is expected that there will be a similar broadly	Main
	approximately equal split in the demand for aggregate within the county between northern and	
	southern Oxfordshire over the plan period. The plan objectives include minimising the distance	
	that minerals need to be transported by road, from quarry to market. In line with this, the	
	minerals planning strategy should promote and enable a move over the plan period to a	
	distribution of sharp sand and gravel production that more closely reflects the distribution of	
	demand for aggregate within the county.	
4.30	An assessment of options for the distribution of additional sharp sand and gravel working has	To provide
	shown that the option that best meets this objective, and that overall is the most sustainable, is	additional
	for 25% of the additional tonnage required to be provided in northern Oxfordshire – within the	explanation of and
	Thames, Lower Windrush and Lower Evenlode Valleys area from Standlake to Yarnton strategic	justification for
	resource area (which lies entirely within West Oxfordshire); and 75% to be provided in southern	modified policy
	Oxfordshire – in the Thames and Lower Thame Valleys area from Oxford to Cholsey and	M3.
	Thames Valley area from Caversham to Shiplake strategic resource areas. This reflects the	
	current situation of concentration of remaining permitted reserves within northern Oxfordshire	Main
	(mainly in West Oxfordshire District) and should lead to an approximately equal split of	
	production capacity for sharp sand and gravel between northern and southern Oxfordshire by	

4.32	2031. This means changing the balance of production capacity between the strategic resource areas in western Oxfordshire (mainly in West Oxfordshire District) and southern Oxfordshire (in South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse Districts), even though remaining resources of sharp sand and gravel are more extensive in West Oxfordshire. In view of the relatively high level of existing permitted reserves in the northern part of Oxfordshire (mainly in West Oxfordshire), any The requirement for additional sites for sharp sand and gravel should therefore be met primarily in the southern part of the county, at least particularly over the first half of the plan period. Provision for additional sharp sand and gravel working in southern Oxfordshire would enable local supplies of aggregate for planned housing and economic growth in this part of the county, including the Science Vale area. The Council will seek to achieve this objective of changing change in the balance distribution of production capacity through the selection of sites to be allocated for sharp sand and gravel working in the Site Allocations Document and through making decisions on planning applications.	Factual undate
4.32	Some of the requirement may be met by sharp sand and gravel extracted in the construction of the proposed new flood relief channel (from Botley to Sandford_on_Thames) for the Oxford Flood Alleviation Scheme. The Environment Agency have has estimated this could involve the extraction of approximately 500,000 cubic metres of sand and gravel (approximately 0.75 million tonnes). This proposal is still in preparation and a scheme has not yet been approved, designed or had planning permission granted. The earliest that approval will be given for a scheme to go ahead is spring 2018. Subject to approval and funding, the earliest that work is expected to start is spring 2018, with completion by 2022.	Factual update and typo. Additional
4.33	Within the northern part of the County, the only significant remaining resources of sharp sand and gravel lie within the strategic resource areas are located along the Thames Valley to the west/north west of Oxford and the related Lower Windrush and Lower Evenlode Valleys (mostly almost all in West Oxfordshire District, with a small part but partly in Cherwell District). Whilst any the requirement for additional sites for sharp sand and gravel should be met primarily in the southern part of the county, in the event that some further provision for working is also expected to be required from the northern part of the county in before the end of the plan period, and this should be from within the Thames, Lower Windrush and Lower Evenlode Valleys area from Standlake to Yarnton strategic resource area, which includes the existing working areas of the	To provide additional explanation of and justification for modified policy M3.

	Lower Windrush Valley and around Cassington.	
	There are also large areas of sharp sand and gravel resource within the part of the Thames Valley to the west of the Lower Windrush Valley, around Bampton and Clanfield, but these are not included within the strategic resource areas in policy M3. This is Provision should not be made from the resource areas further to the west, around Bampton and Clanfield, primarily because these areas are further from the main locations of demand for aggregate in Oxfordshire, in some cases in terms of direct distance but more generally due to the relatively long routes that would be involved using and lack suitable road access to the advisory lorry route network and avoiding unsuitable bridges and environmentally sensitive areas (see policy C10 and figure 13). The requirement for further working areas within the plan period can be met	
	from the strategic resource areas that are closer to the main areas of demand and provision should not be made from the areas around Bampton and Clanfield. An assessment undertaken	
	as part of the sustainability appraisal of the plan has shown that excluding the areas around	
	Bampton and Clanfield is the more sustainable option.	
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4.35	Potentially important archaeological constraints have been identified in the Lower Windrush	To address
	Valley, south of Hardwick, and at a number of locations within the Thames and Lower Thame	representation
	Valleys (Oxford to Cholsey) strategic resource area. The Council will work with English Heritage	120/11 and for
	to ensure that important archaeology is given appropriate protection, in particular when sites for	clarification.
	minerals working are allocated in the Site Allocations document.	
	The Lower Windrush Valley part of the Thames, Lower Windrush and Lower Evenlode Valleys	Main
	(Standlake to Yarnton) strategic resource area to the south of Hardwick is of particular	
	archaeological significance, as are a number of locations in the Thames and Lower Thame	
	Valleys (Oxford to Cholsey) strategic resource area. Both strategic resource areas quite possibly	
	contain archaeological remains which, whilst not scheduled, are demonstrably of equivalent	
	importance to scheduled monuments and which should therefore be accorded the same	
	protection as these designated heritage assets in accordance with the National Planning Policy	
	Framework. In accordance with this, and minerals planning objective 3.4 viii, any such important	
	archaeological resources should be conserved and enhanced, and would therefore present a	
	significant constraint on mineral extraction in these strategic resource areas. The Council will	
	work with Historic England to undertake further detailed assessment of this archaeological	

	resource, to ensure that it is given appropriate protection, in particular when sites for mineral working are allocated in the Site Allocations Document.	
4.37	At the current (2014) Local Aggregate Assessment 2014 requirement provision rate (0.189 million tonnes a year per annum), existing planning permissions could on average provide a supply of soft sand until 2024, although in practice some sites will be exhausted sooner and others will last longer. The additional requirement for soft sand working over the plan period should be met from sites within the two resource areas, but mainly from the more extensive Corallian Ridge area. Actual sales of soft sand in 2014 and 2015 were above the provision rate. If on-going annual monitoring shows this to be a continuing trend, existing permitted reserves will be extracted more quickly and the additional requirement for additional sites to be released would be brought forward.	Factual update and for clarification. Additional
4.40	At the current (2014) Local Aggregate Assessment 2014 requirement provision rate (0.584 million tonnes a year per annum), current permitted reserves of crushed rock remaining at the end of 2015 could on average last until 2031 2030, although in practice some sites will be exhausted sooner and others will last longer. Production of crushed rock has fluctuated considerably over past years. Existing working areas of limestone are south east of Faringdon, south of Burford and north west of Bicester. There is one existing area of ironstone working in the north of the county at Alkerton / Wroxton.	Factual update and for clarification. Additional
4.42	There is no need to permit any additional land for ironstone working for aggregate use during the plan period. In any case, better quality aggregate is generally available from within the limestone deposits than from the ironstone deposits. Any additional provision that is required for crushed rock should be made within the limestone areas. Permission for new areas of ironstone working for aggregate use will therefore not be granted unless the applicant is willing to give up an equivalent existing permitted area, and this can be ensured through revocation of the permission or other appropriate mechanism without payment of compensation, and where there would be an overall environmental benefit.	For clarification. Additional
4.43	The Local Aggregate Assessment 2014 indicates no requirement for further areas for crushed rock working during the plan period, due to the relatively high level of permitted reserves of this	Factual update and for

	mineral remaining to be worked. Actual sales of crushed rock in 2014 and 2015 were well above the provision rate of 0.584 million tonnes a year. Consequently, the level of permitted reserves remaining has fallen more than expected, as they have been extracted more quickly. If on-going annual monitoring shows this to be a continuing trend, but, if demand increases significantly, additional permissions could be needed towards the end of the plan period and there could be a requirement for additional provisions to be made through the allocation of sites for working in the Site Allocations Document. If required, this additional provision should preferably be made through extensions to existing quarries rather than from new quarries, to make efficient use of existing plant and infrastructure, and minimise additional impact. It is unlikely that any new quarries will be needed during the period of this plan. In view of this, and given that crushed rock resources in Oxfordshire – in particular the resources of limestone outside of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty – are extensive, strategic resource areas for possible future crushed rock working are included in policy M3 but there may not be any requirement for specific sites to be allocated in the Site Allocations Document.	clarification. Additional
4.44	Government policy is that major minerals developments should only be permitted in Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in exceptional circumstances and that landbanks of aggregate minerals should, as far as is practical, be maintained outside AONBs, World Heritage Sites, Scheduled Monuments and Conservation Areas. There are sufficient aggregate resources in Oxfordshire outside these designated areas and sites such that working within them is not necessary. Policy C8 provides protection for the landscape quality of the county and policy C9 provides protection for the historic environment. Government Policy is that mineral extraction in the Green Belt is not inappropriate development, provided it preserves the openness of the Green Belt, and does not conflict with the purposes of including land in Green Belt. Therefore this has not been applied as a constraint for the locations of working aggregate minerals. Proposals for development other than mineral extraction in Green Belt will be considered against policy C12.	To address representation 084/4 and 085/4. <i>Main</i>
Policy M3 (4.45)	Policy M3: Principal locations for working aggregate minerals The principal locations for aggregate minerals extraction will be within the following strategic resource areas, as indicated on the Minerals Key Diagram shown on the	To address representation 120/13. To address

Policies Map:

Sharp sand and gravel

in northern Oxfordshire (Cherwell District and West Oxfordshire District):

• The Thames, Lower Windrush and Lower Evenlode Valleys area from Standlake to Yarnton;

in southern Oxfordshire (South Oxfordshire District and Vale of White Horse District):

- The Thames and Lower Thame Valleys area from Oxford to Cholsey;
- The Thames Valley area from Caversham to Shiplake.

Soft sand

- The Corallian Ridge area from Oxford to Faringdon;
- The Duns Tew area.

Crushed rock

- The area north west of Bicester;
- The Burford area south of the A40:
- The area east and south east of Faringdon.

Specific sites (new quarry sites and/or extensions to existing quarries) for working aggregate minerals will be identified within these strategic resource areas will be allocated in the Minerals & Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document, in accordance with policy M4.

Specific sites for extensions to existing aggregate quarries (excluding ironstone) outside the strategic resource areas may also be allocated in the Minerals & Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document provided they are in accordance with policy M4.

Sites allocated for sharp sand and gravel working (including both new quarry sites and extensions to existing quarries, including any extensions outside the strategic resource areas), to meet the requirement in policy M2 will be located such that approximately 25% of the additional tonnage requirement is in northern Oxfordshire and approximately 75%

representation 120/13. To move the requirement relating to the balance of sharp sand and gravel supply between western and southern Oxfordshire within the minerals working locational strategy policy (M3), to reflect its role as a key part of the strategy and to make the meaning of this requirement clearer.

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- i) h) avoidance of locations likely to have an adverse effect on sites and species of international nature conservation importance and Sites of Special Scientific Interest; in the case of locations within the Eynsham / Cassington / Yarnton part of the Thames, Lower Windrush and Lower Evenlode Valleys area, it must be demonstrated that there will be no change in water levels in the Oxford Meadows Special Area of Conservation and the proposal must not involve the working of land to the north or north east of the River Evenlode; in the case of locations within the Corallian Ridge area, it must be demonstrated that there will be no change in water levels in the Cothill Fen Special Area of Conservation;
- i) i) avoidance of locations likely to have an adverse effect on the significance of designated heritage assets, including World Heritage Sites, Scheduled Monuments, and Conservation Areas, Registered Parks and Gardens and Registered Battlefields, or on archaeological assets which are demonstrably of equivalent significance to a Scheduled Monument;
- k) j) avoidance of, or ability to suitably mitigate, potential significant adverse impacts on:
 - i. locally designated areas of nature conservation and geological interest;
 - ii. non-designated heritage assets;
 - ii iii. local landscape character;
 - iii iv. water quality, water quantity, flood risk and groundwater flow;
 - iv v. best and most versatile agricultural land and soil resources;
 - y vi. local transport network;
 - vi vii. land uses sensitive to nuisance (e.g. schools & hospitals);
 - vii viii. residential amenity & human health; and
 - viii ix. character and setting of local settlements;

	 h) k) potential cumulative impact of successive and/or simultaneous mineral development, including with non-mineral development, on local communities; and m) l) ability to meet other objectives and policy expectations of this Core Strategy Plan (including policies C1 – C11 C12) and relevant policies in other development plans. 	
Policy M5 (4.47)	Prior to the adoption of the Minerals & Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document, permission will be granted for the working of aggregate minerals where this would contribute towards meeting the requirement for provision in policy M2 and provided that the proposal is in accordance with the locational strategy in policy M3 and that the requirements of policies C1 – C12 are met. Permission will be granted for the working of aggregate minerals within the sites allocated further to policy M4 provided that the requirements of policies C1 – C12 are	To address representations 082/5, 125/4 and 131/4. To address Matter 7, Issue 3.
	Permission will not be granted for the working of aggregate minerals outside the sites allocated further to policy M4 unless the requirement to maintain a steady <u>and adequate</u> supply of aggregate in accordance with policy M2 cannot be met from within those sites and provided that the proposal is in accordance with the locational strategy in policy M3 and the requirements of policies C1 – C12 are met. The criteria in policy M4 will be taken into consideration in the determination of planning applications for aggregate minerals working in locations not allocated under policy M4. Permission will exceptionally be granted for the working of aggregate minerals outside the sites allocated further to policy M4 where extraction of the mineral is required prior to	
	the sites allocated further to policy M4 where extraction of the mineral is required prior to a planned development in order to prevent the mineral resource being sterilised, having due regard to policies C1 – C11 C12.	

	Prior to the adoption of the Minerals & Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document, permission will be granted for the working of aggregate minerals where this is required in order to maintain landbanks in accordance with policy M2 and taking into consideration the criteria in policy M4 and provided that the requirements of policies C1 – C11 are met.	
	Permission will exceptionally be granted for borrow pits to supply mineral to associated construction projects, having due regard to policies C1 – C12, provided that all of the following apply: • the site lies on or in close proximity to the project area so that extracted mineral can be conveyed to its point of use with minimal use of public highways and without undue interference with footpaths and bridleways; • the mineral extracted will only be used in connection with the project; • it can be demonstrated that supply of the mineral from the borrow pit would have less environmental impact than if the mineral were supplied from an existing source; • the borrow pit can be restored without the use of imported material, other than that generated by the project; and • use of the borrow pit is limited to the life of the project. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraphs, permission for working of ironstone for aggregate use will not be permitted except in exchange for an agreed revocation (or other appropriate mechanism to ensure the non-working) without compensation of an equivalent existing permission in Oxfordshire containing potentially workable resources	
4.48	of ironstone and where there would be an overall environmental benefit. Aggregates are imported into Oxfordshire through three rail depots at Banbury, Sutton Courtenay and Kidlington. Planning permission has been granted for a further rail depot at Shipton on Cherwell. There is also a depot at Hinksey Sidings, Oxford but this has been used	Factual update and for clarification.
	solely by the rail industry to bring in rail ballast for internal use on the rail network, and its use for the transhipment of rail ballast has been intermittent.	Additional

4.49	Footnote 23: The Kidlington rail depot is being has been relocated to a nearby permitted an adjacent site to the north east to enable the construction of a the new Oxford Parkway railway station at Water Eaton. There will be an ongoing need for importation of aggregate materials that cannot be quarried locally, particularly hard rock for roadstone. There may also be opportunities for importation of recycled and secondary aggregate (see paragraph 4.7 and policy M1). Rail and water transport should take priority over road, particularly for longer distance movements. Existing and permitted depots should therefore be safeguarded under policy M9; and additional depots should be permitted at suitable locations should the opportunity arise.	For consistency with policy M1 and for clarification. Additional
Policy M6 (4.51)	Policy M6: Aggregate rail depots The following rail depot sites are safeguarded for the importation of aggregate into Oxfordshire: • Hennef Way, Banbury (existing facility); • Kidlington (permitted replacement facility); • Appleford Sidings, Sutton Courtenay (existing facility); • Appleford Sidings, Sutton Courtenay (existing facility); • And any other aggregate rail depot sites which are permitted, as identified in the Annual Monitoring Report. Permission will be granted for new aggregate rail depots at locations with suitable access to an advisory lorry route shown on the Oxfordshire Lorry Route Maps (policy C10) and that meet the criteria in requirements of policies C1 – C11 C12. Safeguarded rail depot sites will be identified in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document. Proposals for development that would directly prevent or prejudice the use of a safeguarded rail depot site for an aggregates rail depot will not be permitted	To address representation 033/8 and Matter 7, Issue 4. Main

	 unless: a suitable alternative rail depot site can be provided; or it can be demonstrated that there is no longer a need for the site to be safeguarded for aggregate rail depot use. Proposals on land near to a safeguarded rail depot site for development sensitive to disturbance from, and which would indirectly prevent or prejudice the operation or establishment of, an aggregate rail depot at the safeguarded site will not be permitted unless: the development is in accordance with a site allocation for development in an adopted local plan or neighbourhood plan; or a suitable alternative aggregate rail depot site can be provided; or it can be demonstrated that the safeguarded rail depot site is no longer needed for Oxfordshire's aggregate supply requirements. 	
4.55	Clay has been worked at certain sand and gravel quarries to produce material for lining landfill sites and for use in restoration and landscaping. Policy M4 requires that within the Eynsham / Cassington / Yarnton part of the Thames, Lower Windrush and Lower Evenlode Valleys area proposals for sand and gravel extraction must demonstrate that there will be no change in water levels in the Oxford Meadows Special Area of Conservation; this requirement will apply equally to any proposal for the working of clay from a sand and gravel quarry in this area.	Typo. Additional
4.58	There is currently no exploration for or production of oil or gas in Oxfordshire. Exploratory work in the past did not find any oil or gas fields, although gas was encountered in some of the holes drilled. In addition to requirements for planning permission, oil and gas exploration and production can only be undertaken within areas that have been licensed by the government. There are currently no licence areas covering Oxfordshire. In July 2014 the government invited applications for onshore oil and gas licences under the 14 th Landward Licensing Round. Under this licensing round, large parts of the UK are potentially available for licence, including some parts of Oxfordshire, as identified in a strategic environmental assessment that was published by the government in December 2013. In December 2015, the Oil & Gas Authority announced that licences for a total of 159 blocks were formally offered to successful applicants under the	Factual update. Additional

	14th Onshore Oil and Gas Licensing Round. None of the areas for which licences have been offered are within Oxfordshire or include any part of the county. It is not yet known whether licences have been applied for or will be awarded covering any parts of the county.		
4.59	In the event that licences are awarded covering parts of Oxfordshire <u>under a future further licencing round</u> , it is possible that proposals for exploratory drilling would come forward, which could be followed by proposals for production in the event that significant oil or gas reserves were found. Proposals could be for drilling either by conventional means or by hydraulic fracturing (fracking). The section on oil and gas in policy M7 will provide a policy basis consistent with the National Planning Policy Framework and national planning guidance on oil and gas against which any such planning applications can be considered.	Factual update. Additional	
Policy M7 (4.60)	Policy M7: Non-aggregate mineral working All proposals for the working of non-aggregate minerals, including exploration and appraisal, shall meet the criteria in requirements of policies C1 – C11 C12.	To address representations 125/5, 131/5, 132/6 and 146/2.	
	Building Stone Permission will be granted for extensions to existing quarries and new quarries for the extraction of building stone where a need for the material has been demonstrated and the scale, extent and location of the proposed quarrying is small-scale are such that adverse impacts upon the environment and amenity can be avoided, minimised or adequately mitigated.	Main	
	Clay The extraction of clay will be permitted in conjunction with the working of sharp sand and gravel from the locations in policy M3. The extraction of clay will not be permitted in other locations unless it can be demonstrated that there is a local need for clay which: • cannot be met by extraction in conjunction with sharp sand and gravel working; or • would be met with less overall environmental impact than by extraction in conjunction with sharp sand and gravel working.		

4.00	Chalk The extraction of chalk for agricultural or industrial use in Oxfordshire will be permitted provided the proposed quarrying is small-scale and a local need for the material has been demonstrated. Extraction of chalk for wider purposes, including as an aggregate or for large scale engineering will not be permitted unless the proposal is demonstrated to be the most sustainable option for meeting the need for the material. Fuller's Earth The working of fuller's earth will be permitted provided that a national need for the mineral has been demonstrated. Oil and Gas (conventional and unconventional) Proposals for the exploration and appraisal of oil or gas will be permitted provided arrangements are made for the timely and suitable restoration and after-care of the site, whether or not the exploration or appraisal operation is successful. The commercial production of oil and gas will be supported in the following circumstances: • A full appraisal programme for the oil or gas field has been successfully completed; and • The proposed location is the most suitable, taking into account environmental, geological, technical and operational factors; and • For major development in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty it is clearly demonstrated that there are exceptional circumstances and the proposal is in the public interest, including in terms of national considerations, in accordance with the 'major developments test' in the NPPF (Paragraph 116).	
4.63	Mineral safeguarding areas will be are defined on the Policies Map maps in the Site Allocations Document., covering the following areas of mineral resource: • Sharp sand and gravel resources of significance in the main river valleys, in particular	To address representation 134/3.

	 including the strategic resource areas identified in policy M3; Soft sand within the strategic resource areas identified in policy M3; Limestone within the strategic resource areas identified in policy M3; Fuller's earth in the Baulking – Fernham area. Mineral safeguarding areas for other significant proven areas of important mineral resources may be defined when the Site Allocations Document is prepared. The extent of safeguarded areas can be reviewed if economic or other considerations change. 	Main
4.64	District Councils in Oxfordshire are responsible for planning development (other than minerals and waste) in their areas. The County Council, as Mineral Planning Authority, must also identify mineral consultation areas and specify the types of application for non-mineral related development on which the relevant district council must consult the County Council within these areas. The mineral consultation areas will be are based on the minerals safeguarding areas and will include land within 250m of the boundary of a Minerals Safeguarding Area minerals safeguarding area. They are also shown on the Policies Map. They will be identified and updated when necessary in the Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports. Further mineral consultation areas will be similarly defined around any additional minerals safeguarding areas that are defined when the Site Allocations Document is prepared.	To address representation 134/3. <i>Main</i>
Policy M8 (4.65)	Policy M8: Safeguarding mineral resources Mineral Safeguarding Areas will be defined in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document, covering the following mineral resources: Sharp sand and gravel in the main river valleys, including the strategic resource areas identified in policy M3, and other areas of proven resource; Soft sand within the strategic resource areas identified in policy M3; Limestone within the strategic resource areas identified in policy M3; Fuller's earth in the Baulking – Fernham area. Mineral resources in these Mineral Safeguarding Areas shown on the Policies Map are safeguarded for possible future use. Development that would prevent or otherwise hinder the possible future working of the mineral will not be permitted unless it can be shown	To address representation 134/3. <i>Main</i>

	 that: The site has been allocated for development in an adopted local plan or neighbourhood plan; or The need for the development outweighs the economic and sustainability considerations relating to the mineral resource; or The mineral will be extracted prior to the development taking place. Mineral Consultation Areas, based on the Mineral Safeguarding Areas, are shown on the Policies Map. Within these areas the District Councils will consult the County Council on planning applications for non-mineral development will be defined, identified and updated when necessary in the Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports. 	
Policy M9 (4.71)	Policy M9: Safeguarding mineral infrastructure Existing and permitted infrastructure that supports the supply of minerals in Oxfordshire is safeguarded against development that would unnecessarily prevent the operation of the infrastructure or would prejudice or jeopardise its continued use by creating incompatible land uses nearby. Safeguarded sites include the following rail depot sites which are safeguarded for the importation of aggregate into Oxfordshire: Hennef Way, Banbury (existing facility): Kidlington (existing facility): Appleford Sidings, Sutton Courtenay (existing facility): and Shipton-on-Cherwell Quarry (permitted facility): as shown on the Policies Map; and any other aggregate rail depot sites which are permitted, as identified in the Annual Monitoring Report. Other safeguarded sites will be identified defined in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document.	To address Matter 7, Issue 4. Main

	Proposals for development that would <u>directly or indirectly</u> prevent or prejudice the use of a site safeguarded for mineral infrastructure will not be permitted unless: • the development is in accordance with a site allocation for development in an adopted local plan or neighbourhood plan; or • it can be demonstrated that the infrastructure is no longer needed; or • the capacity of the infrastructure can be appropriately and sustainably provided elsewhere.	
4.84	Policy M10 sets out the general approach to restoration of mineral workings. Core policies C2 to C11 C12 are also relevant when considering the type of after-use that may be appropriate and the content of a restoration scheme.	Consequential to the addition of policy C12. Additional
Policy M10 (4.85)	Policy M10: Restoration of mineral workings Mineral workings shall be restored to a high standard and in a timely and phased manner to an after-use that is appropriate to the location and delivers a net gain in biodiversity. The restoration and after-use of mineral workings must take into account: • the characteristics of the site prior to mineral working; • the character of the surrounding landscape and the enhancement of local landscape character; • the amenity of local communities, including opportunities to enhance green infrastructure provision and provide for local amenity uses and recreation; • the capacity of the local transport network; • the quality of any agricultural land affected, including the restoration of best and most versatile agricultural land; • the conservation of soil resources • flood risk and opportunities for increased flood storage capacity; • the impacts on flooding and water quality of any use of imported material in the proposed restoration; • bird strike risk and aviation safety;	To address representations 126/1, 098/8, 136/1 and 133/ac/2. Main

	 any environmental enhancement objectives for the area; the conservation and enhancement of biodiversity appropriate to the local area, supporting the establishment of a coherent and resilient ecological network through the landscape-scale creation of priority habitat; the conservation and enhancement of geodiversity;-and the conservation and enhancement of the historic environment; and consultation with local communities on options for after-use. Planning permission will not be granted for mineral working unless satisfactory proposals have been made for the restoration, aftercare and after-use of the site, including where necessary the means of securing them in the longer term. Proposals for restoration must not be likely to lead to any increase in recreational pressure on a Special Area of Conservation.	
Figure 9	Delete Figure 9: Minerals Key Diagram and replace with Policies Map.	Minerals Key Diagram is not needed because all content is now shown on Policies Map. Main
5.1	This section sets out the County Council's waste planning strategy and policies for the period to 2031. Provision must is to be made for the facilities that will be needed for the management of waste in the county during that period. The Council intends that this will be achieved in a way that promotes and enables the movement of waste up the waste management hierarchy, away from landfill and towards increased re-use, recycling, composting and recovery of resources from waste.	Clarifications Additional
5.2	How many and what sort of waste management facilities will be needed in Oxfordshire over this	Clarifications

	period cannot be predicted with absolute accuracy. The strategy can only be based on the best information currently available. A separate Waste Needs Assessment sets out estimates of the quantities of waste that will need to be managed in Oxfordshire; the waste management capacity currently available; and the additional capacity that may be required up to 2031. These will be monitored regularly and updated in the Council's Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports.							Additional
5.3	The strategy includes a spatial framework for the delivery of new waste infrastructure (as illustrated on the waste key diagram – Figure 12 at the end of this section) and policies which provide the context for considering future proposals for waste development. The strategy provides a strategic policy framework for the identification of suitable sites in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document and against which planning applications for new facilities that provide additional waste management facilities capacity will be considered.							Clarifications Additional
5.4	Attitudes and behaviour towards waste and waste management practice continue to change, and the The amount of waste produced per person has fallen along with the amount of waste disposed in landfill has fallen and the amount of household waste produced per person has reduced. However, the amount of waste produced arising in Oxfordshire requiring provision for management is still expected to grow as population increases and the local economy develops, particularly in the main urban areas of Oxford, Banbury, Bicester, Witney, Abingdon, Didcot, and Wantage and Grove. The types of waste that need to be planned for are shown in Table 3, which sets out the 2012 baseline figures of waste produced in Oxfordshire that are used in the Core Strategy. The Waste Needs Assessment provides more detail on the amount of waste that is currently managed and how much may need to be managed in future.							Clarifications Additional
Table 3	Table 3: Waste produced in Oxfordshire in 2012 (tonnes) Baseline waste arising in Oxfordshire requiring provision for management (million tonnes per annum)						<u>shire</u>	Clarifications.
	MSW	C&I	CDE	Hazardous	Agricultural	Waste Water	LLW	
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	* Baseline year 2012 ** Baseline year 2014 Source: MSW (Municipal Solid Waste) – Oxfordsh: C&I (Commercial and Industrial Waste) – CDE (Construction, Demolition and Excave there is considerable uncertainty over this Hazardous waste – BPP Consulting for Oxagricultural waste – BPP Consulting for Oxaste Water – Thames Water plc LLW (Low Level Radioactive Waste)	BPP Consulting for OCC ('as managration Waste) – Oxfordshire County (stigure, see paragraph 5.5b) CC		imate <u>–</u>
5.5	Municipal Solid Waste (also referred to industrial waste and construction, dem	•		
	approximately Just over two thirds of to county comprises municipal solid wast commercial and industrial waste and of these are referred to as the principal waste period are set out in Table 4. It is an a managing and disposing of these was waste makes up almost a third of total units), much of it in ways that are outs included in the principal waste streams types of waste are also important but it specialist forms of management and disposing waste), W9 (radioactive waste) and W	te (also referred to as local autoconstruction, demolition and exvaste streams and forecasts for im of the plan for Oxfordshire to tes and forecasts are needed to waste but most is managed or ide beyond normal planning constitutes and is addressed separately the quantities to be managed a disposal: these are addressed in	hority collected waste cavation waste. Colle reach of these over the benet self-sufficien to plan for this. Agricular site (on individual factorial. This is not there in policy W8. The othere far lower and requires	ectively the plan nt in ultural arming refore ner
5.5a (new	The BPP Review of the Waste Needs	Assessment (2014) establishe	ed a point of production	n To clarify and
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	Needs Assessment (2016) used a me			•
	managed' waste figure for each of the	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
	terms are approximately 60-70% of the			CDE waste to be
	difference between the values (other t	han the three year time lag bet	tween estimates) is	managed.

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	attributable to the fact that a certain amount of waste is managed through routes outside the formal management system. This might be through management on the site of production (e.g. crushing of demolition waste and incorporation into groundworks), through methods ancillary to other activities such as storage and distribution (e.g. backhauling by major retailers of packaging waste for bulking at distribution depots), or through the use of mobile plant that do not require express planning consent and therefore bypassing static facilities. The actual degree to which such activities may contribute to the management of these waste streams today and in the future is not fully able to be accounted for. Therefore the 'as managed' values for C&I waste included in Tables 3 and 4 and in Policy W1 should be regarded as a minimum arising values.	Main
5.5b (new paragraph)	There is considerable uncertainty over the estimated figure for CDE waste in Table 3 and over forecasts for this waste stream. Significantly different figures can be derived depending on the assumptions used. Consequently, no forecasts for CDE waste are included in Table 4; and no values for this waste stream are included in Policy W1. Nevertheless, the estimate of 1.033 mtpa shown in Table 1 can be taken as a minimum value for the amount of CDE waste to be managed going forward. This will include an element of non- inert waste, which has been estimated to comprise 20% of the total, and this waste will require management as non-hazardous waste rather than inert waste. Inert waste is expected to be primarily managed through recycling, in particular at recycled aggregate production facilities, recovery operations or the backfilling of mineral workings. Some will continue to go to landfill for restoration purposes.	To clarify and explain the approach to estimating CDE waste to be managed. Main
5.6	Forecasts of waste produced in Oxfordshire are likely to change over time, as circumstances affecting the amount of waste produced change and new information becomes available. The forecasts are therefore not included in policy W1. Current (January 2015) forecasts for the MSW and C&I waste streams are set out in Table 4. No forecasts for CDE waste are included. These forecasts will be kept under review and updated as necessary in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports. The forecasts in Table 4 are included in policy W1.	Consequential amendment resulting from changes to policy W1.
Table 4	Table 4: Forecasts of amounts of principal waste streams (<u>excluding CDE</u>) to be managed – Oxfordshire waste arisings 2012 – 2031 (million tonnes)	Consequential amendment resulting from changes to policy
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	MSW	0.300	0.320	0.343	0.360	0.376	W1.
	C&I	0.710	0.736	0.758	0.766	0.773	
			<u>0.542</u>	<u>0.564</u>	<u>0.573</u>	<u>0.583</u>	Main
	CDE	1.005	1.220	1.483	1.483	1.483	
		0.932	1.133	1.379	1.379	1.379	
	Total	2.015	2.276	2.584	2.609	2.632	
		1.942	2.189	2.480	2.505	2.528	
	Source: Supple	ment to the Oxfor	dshire Waste Nee	eds Assessment, E	BPP for OCC 201	5 2016	
5.8	The commercial and Oxfordshire and Defre explained in the Suppannual growth in was increase in arisings the baseline figure to the	a national foreo blement to the tearisings of 0 ne amount of we forecast for 20	casts. A high n Waste Needs / 1.7% to 2021 a /aste to be mai 031. some 9%	noderate growt Assessment <u>20</u> nd 0.2% therea naged of appro between 2012	h rate has bee 016), based on ofter . This resu oximately 7% fr and 2031.	n used (as a compound Its in an overall rom the 2014	Factual updates and corrections. Main
5.9	Future construction, or rate of new building was forecasting future arisings basis that net arisings base on which forward minimum of 1.033 mt plan period to 2031. Which are pushing the growth rate scenario been partly checked lanticipated each year as the economy picks demands 35. An increase thereafter.	vork. The nations of this was will remain control of the projections of the part of CDE was expected as been used by pressures to 2021, base of up and house the pressures to the pressure to the pressu	nal Planning Paste stream, wonstant over ting an be based*. Ste will require take account of e sustainable of reduce wasted on an assume building incre	rolicy Guidance raste planning a ne as there is li Following this management in of policy, legisla waste manager in the Waste No. Steady growth option that the rases in respon	e for waste state authorities show the latest state of constructs and states are states of constructs at the latest state of constructs at the latest states of constructs at the latest states of constructs at the latest statest st	tes that when buld start from the duced evidence an be taken that a throughout the dards – all of . Again, a high ment), but this has stream is ction will increase assessed	reflect national planning guidance. Main
	*Insert new footnote:	National Planr	ning Practice G	uidance for wa	ste, paragraph	n 033 (October	

	2014)	
	Delete footnote 35: Oxfordshire Strategic Housing Market Assessment, GL Hearn, March 2014	
5.10	The National Planning Policy for Waste sets out the role of planning for waste, which includes providing a framework in which communities and businesses take more responsibility for their own waste, including enabling waste to be requiring disposaled or mixed waste destined for	Clarifications
	recoveryed to be managed in line with the proximity principle. It also requires that, in preparing waste local plans, waste planning authorities should identify quantities of waste requiring different types of management in their area over the plan period. These principles underpin the aim for Oxfordshire to be net self-sufficient in the management (including disposal) of each of the principal waste streams. In addition the National Planning Policy for Waste requires that waste planning authorities: consider the need for additional waste management capacity of more than local significance; take into account any need for waste management (including disposal of residues from waste treatment) arising in more than one waste planning authority area where only a limited number of facilities would be required; and work collaboratively in groups with other waste planning authorities to provide a suitable network of facilities. Some cross boundary movement of waste is inevitable but planning for net self-sufficiency should reduce the level of movement that is necessary.	Additional
5.11	For some time Oxfordshire has been receiving high levels substantial quantities of waste from other areas. A total of 670,000 tonnes of waste was imported into Oxfordshire in 2013, approximately 425,000 tonnes of which was disposed to landfill (see table 1 in section 2). This reflects the availability of non-hazardous waste landfill space in Oxfordshire, the relative proximity of a number of urban centres (e.g. Reading, Wokingham, Bracknell and Newbury) and	Clarifications Additional
	reduction a growing shortage of non-hazardous waste landfill capacity in other areas – in particular Berkshire and north Hampshire. London also has a shortage of landfill capacity and exports waste for disposal to other areas, including Oxfordshire (much of this waste arrives by rail). The amount of waste from London is expected to reduce ⁴⁰ , but significant quantities imports	

of waste can still be are anticipated to continue from other areas elsewhere as long as Oxfordshire's landfills continue to operate. Policy W1 sets the basis for managing the equivalent quantity of waste to that produced in Oxfordshire. The approach to managing waste from other areas is covered by policy W6 (Landfill) and policy W3 (Provision for waste management capacity and facilities required). Footnote 40: Waste from West London that was being disposed under contract at Sutton Courtenay is now being disposed in South Gloucestershire managed elsewhere. The London Plan expects the London Boroughs to become net self-sufficient in managing their waste by 2025 and to cease sending recyclable or biodegradable waste to landfill at that time. Policy W1 Policy W1: Oxfordshire waste to be managed Update estimated (5.12)waste Provision will be made for waste management facilities to provide capacity that allows management Oxfordshire to be net self-sufficient in the management of its principal waste streams capacity following municipal solid waste (or local authority collected waste), commercial and industrial inspector's interim waste, and construction, demolition and excavation waste – over the period to 2031. report. The amounts of these wastes that need to be managed for which waste management Main capacity needs to be provided is as identified in the most recent Oxfordshire Waste Needs Assessment or update of these amounts in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste **Annual Monitoring Reports.** follows: Forecasts of waste for which waste management capacity needs to be provided 2016 -2031 (million tonnes per annum) **Waste Type** 2016 2021 2026 2031 **Municipal Solid Waste** 0.32 0.34 0.36 0.38

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Commercial and

Industrial Waste

	These forecasts will be kept under review and updated as necessary in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports.	
	Provision of for facilities for hazardous waste, agricultural waste, radioactive waste and waste water/sewage sludge will be in accordance with policies W7, W8, W9 and W10 respectively.	
5.13	The way that waste is managed in Oxfordshire has changed markedly in recent years. Most waste was previously disposed by to landfill, but available data shows that in Oxfordshire over half is now recycled or recovered for other use. The recycling and recovery of municipal waste is leading this trend (58% in 2012/13) and further improvement can be expected as a result of investment in new waste facilities.	For clarification. Additional
5.14	The Core Strategy seeks further improvement as quickly as is practical in the proportion of waste that is recycled, composted and recovered, to minimise minimising the amounts of waste disposed in landfill. Policy W2 sets targets for the way in which the principal waste streams should are to be managed and these help to determine the provision that needs to be made for different types of waste management facilities (see policy W3).	For clarification. Additional
5.15	The targets for future waste management in policy W2 reflect the aims and vision of this Core Strategy to: • move waste up the hierarchy; and • maximise landfill diversion. They have been formulated following a careful assessment of the composition of each of the principal waste streams and what is understood to be the current management position for each. have evolved from waste management targets in the former South East Plan. They have been modified and updated to reflect local circumstances in Oxfordshire, including the objectives and policies of the Oxfordshire Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy 2013 (which aims to	For clarification. Additional
	move waste management of municipal waste further up the waste hierarchy). They are considered to be ambitious but achievable. The targets set by policy W2 reflect:	

	 higher recycling (and composting) targets that are considered achievable in Oxfordshire; and maximum diversion from landfill. 	
5.19	The European Waste Framework Directive requires 70% of construction and demolition waste to be recycled or recovered by 2020. Hard demolition waste makes up about a third of the overall waste stream and the vast majority (98%) is already processed and re-used as recycled aggregate. Construction waste is far more varied in composition and it is estimated that. L-little more than a third is currently recycled and there may be some scope to improve on this.	For clarification. Additional
5.20	Naturally occurring excavation waste material is not subject to the Directive target. This <u>waste stream</u> may reflect the greater difficulty of recycling this type of waste, which largely comprises subsoil and amounts to about half of the overall construction, demolition and excavation waste stream. Excavation waste is nevertheless used (disposed or recovered) beneficially in Oxfordshire in the restoration of mineral workings, <u>operational development</u> and associated engineering works.	For clarification. Additional
5.21	The former South East Plan set a recycling target of 60% for construction, demolition and excavation waste combined. In Oxfordshire about half of the overall construction, demolition and excavation waste stream (52%) is currently recycled and there is unlikely to be opportunity to significantly increase this. An overall recycling target of 60% is compliant with the Directive target for construction and demolition waste. This will be more readily monitored than would separate targets for construction and demolition waste and excavation waste. The targets in Policy W2 are set at levels that exceed the Directive target for recycling or recovery of construction and demolition waste arising in Oxfordshire by 2020.	Update following changes to policy W2. Additional
Policy W2 (5.22)	Policy W2: Oxfordshire waste management targets Provision will be made for capacity to manage the principal waste streams in a way that provides for the maximum diversion of waste from landfill, in line with the following targets:	Changes to reporting of additional capacity requirements to reflect changes to policies W1 (C&I

Delete current table and replace with:

Oxfordshire waste management targets 2016 – 2031

			<u>Ye</u>	ar	
		<u>2016</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2031</u>
	Composting & food waste treatment	<u>29%</u>	<u>32%</u>	<u>35%</u>	<u>35%</u>
	Non-hazardous waste recycling	<u>33%</u>	33%	<u>35%</u>	<u>35%</u>
	Non-hazardous residual waste treatment	<u>30%</u>	30%	<u>25%</u>	<u>25%</u>
빔	Landfill (these percentages are not targets but are included for completeness)	<u>8%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>
MUNICIPAL WASTE	<u>Total</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

waste) and
exclude inert
waste (proportion
of CDE waste)
from capacity
requirement
calculations in line
with Examination
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ш	Composting & food waste treatment	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>		
& INDUSTRIAL WASTE	Non-hazardous waste recycling	<u>55%</u>	<u>60%</u>	<u>65%</u>	<u>65%</u>		
USTRIA	Non-hazardous residual waste treatment	<u>15%</u>	<u>25%</u>	<u>25%</u>	<u>25%</u>		
COMMERCIAL & IN	Landfill (these percentages are not targets but are included for completeness)	<u>25%</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>		
СОММЕ	<u>Total</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>		
MOLI	Proportion of Projected Arisings taken to be Inert*	<u>80%</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>80%</u>	<u>80%</u>		
TION, DE	Inert waste recycling (as proportion of inert arisings)	<u>55%</u>	<u>60%</u>	<u>65%</u>	<u>70%</u>		
CONSTRUCTION, DEMOLITION & EXCAV ATION WASTE	Permanent deposit of inert waste other than for disposal to landfill** (as proportion of inert arisings)	<u>25%</u>	<u>25%</u>	<u>25%</u>	<u>25%</u>		

Landfill (as proportion of inert arisings) (these percentages are not targets but are included for completeness)	<u>20%</u>	<u>15%</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>5%</u>		
Total (inert arisings)	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>		
Proportion of Projected Arisings taken to be Non- Inert*	<u>20%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>20%</u>	20%		
Composting (as proportion of non-inert arisings)	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>		
Non-hazardous waste recycling (as proportion of non-inert arisings)	<u>55%</u>	<u>60%</u>	<u>65%</u>	<u>65%</u>		
Non-hazardous residual waste treatment (as proportion of non-inert arisings)	<u>15%</u>	<u>25%</u>	<u>25%</u>	<u>25%</u>		
Landfill (as proportion of non-inert arisings) (these percentages are not targets but are included for	<u>25%</u>	10%	<u>5%</u>	<u>5%</u>		

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	completeness)						
	Total (non-inert arisings)	100%	100%	100%	100%		
	* It is assumed that 20% of the CDE waste stre	am compris	es non-iner	t materials (from break	down in	
	report by BPP Consulting on Construction, Den	nolition and	Excavation	Waste in O	xfordshire, I	-ebruary	
	2014, page 7). The subsequent targets are pro	oortions of t	<u>he inert or n</u>	<u>non-inert ele</u>	ments of th	<u>e CDE</u>	
	waste stream.						
	** This includes the use of inert waste in backfil	ling of mine	ral workings	s & operatio	nal develop	ment such	
	as noise bund construction and flood defence v	<u>vorks.</u>	-				
	Proposals for the management of all type	s of waste	should de	emonstrat	e that the	waste	
	cannot reasonably be managed through a	process t	that is hig	her up the	waste hie	erarchy	
	than that proposed.						
5.23	Table 5 shows how the forecast tonnages of	non hazar	doue weet	o for the pr	incinal was	rto.	For clarification
3.23	streams in policy W1 should be managed in-						and update
	policy W2 can to be met. Waste management						following changes
	provided if Oxfordshire is to be net self-suffic		•		_		to policies W1, W3
	non-hazardous element of the CDE waste st		•		\i	, 	and M1.
	value of 1.033 mtpa which is considered to b						
	for the inert element of this waste stream is r						Main
	baseline value and forecast, and consequen	t absence o	of figures for	or CDE wa	ste in polic	<u>y W1;</u>	
	and also in recognition of the positive approa				•		
	additional capacity for recycling of CDE wast		•	•	-		
	aggregate, whereby there is no requirement						
	capacity requirement and, subject to proposa				<u>er relevant</u>	policies,	
	there is no ceiling set on the level of capacity	<u>r that may l</u>	<u>se provide</u>	<u>d.</u>			

Table 5 Delete current Table 5 and replace with:

<u>Table 5: Oxfordshire: estimated non-hazardous waste management capacity required 2016 – 2031 (tonnes per annum)</u>

Projected Capacity Requirement	MSW	<u>C&I</u>	CDE (non-inert proportion)	Total (tpa)	
		2	<u>2016</u>		
Composting/ food waste treatment	92,800	<u>27,100</u>	<u>10,300</u>	<u>130,200</u>	
Non-hazardous waste recycling	105,600	298,100	<u>113,700</u>	<u>517,400</u>	
Non-hazardous waste residual	96,000	81,300	31,000	208,300	
		2	2021		
Composting/ food waste treatment	109,700	<u>28,200</u>	<u>10,300</u>	<u>148,200</u>	
Non-hazardous waste recycling	113,200	338,100	124,000	<u>575,300</u>	
Non-hazardous waste residual	102,900	140,900	<u>51,700</u>	295,500	
		2	2026		
Composting/ food waste treatment	126,000	<u>28,700</u>	<u>10,300</u>	<u>165,000</u>	
Non-hazardous waste recycling	126,000	372,500	<u>134,400</u>	632,900	
Non-hazardous waste residual	90,000	143,300	<u>51,700</u>	285,000	
	2031				
Composting/ food waste treatment	131,600	<u>29,100</u>	<u>10,300</u>	<u>171,000</u>	
Non-hazardous waste recycling	131,600	378,600	134,400	644,600	
Non-hazardous waste residual	94,000	145,600	<u>51,700</u>	<u>291,300</u>	

Changes to reporting of capacity requirements to reflect changes to policies W1 (C&I waste) and exclude inert waste (proportion of CDE waste) from capacity requirement calculations in line with Examination **Hearing Document** H10.

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5.24	Existing waste manage required, as identified plan period as the cap permissions is deducted	<u>in Table 5</u> . Ta acity provided	able 6 shows t d by temporar	the capacity a y facilities <u>witl</u>	vailable: this n time-limited	reduces thre I planning	ough the	Clarifications Additional
Table 6	Table 6: Oxfordshire – 2031 (tonnes per annu		ilable to mana	age waste at e	existing facilit	ies 2012 <u>20</u>	<u> 16</u> –	Factual update and clarifications
	Facility type Type of waste management	2012	2016	2021	2026	2031		Main
	Non-hazardous waste recycling	600,300	598,900	429,900	429,900	317,800		
	Composting / food waste treatment	219,600	219,600	219,600	214,600	214,600		
	Non-hazardous residual waste treatment	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000		
	Inert waste recycling	1,153,100	1,145,100	1,105,100	889,600	889,600		
	Source: Oxfordshire Count Municipal and Commercial Construction, Demolition a							
5.25	Table 7 shows when a waste management caprovided by existing facapacity requirement (ity gement	Inclusion of paragraph moved from policy W3 and consequential					

		e Minerals and Waste /						amendment.
		ts will be kept under re					_	
		oring Reports. These re					<u>nt</u>	Main
		ts are expected to be n	<u>net, including</u>	tne capacity	tnat is expe	ected to be		
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		nd established waste m		acilities;				
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	• Sites with plan	nning permission for wa	aste manage	ment lacilities	s mai nave i	iot yet been	<u> </u>	
		d for waste developme	nt in the Mine	vrale and Wa	eto Local Di	on: Dort 2	Sito	
	Allocations Do	-	THE HIT WHEE	and wa	Ste Local i i	an. r an z –	Oile	
		tes that may be needed	d to meet upo	lated capacit	v requireme	nts identified	d by	
		the Annual Monitoring						
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Table 7	Delete current Table	7 and replace with:						Changes to
								reporting of
		– Capacity surplus/de			<u>he non-haza</u>	<u>ırdous elem</u>	<u>ent</u>	additional capacity
	of the principal waste	<u>e streams 2016 – 2031</u>	(tonnes per	<u>annum)</u>				requirements to
	Facility Tyma			Tanas	Vaca	-		reflect changes to
	Facility Type		2016	Target 2021	<u>rear</u> 2026	2031		policies W1 (C&I waste) and
	Composting/	Capacity surplus or	2010	<u> 2021</u>	2020	<u> 2031</u>		exclude inert
	food waste	shortfall against	+89,400	+71,400	+49,600	+43,600		waste (proportion
	treatment	target	100,100	17 1,100	1 10,000	1 10,000		of CDE waste)
	Non-							from capacity
	hazardous	Capacity surplus or	.01 500	145 400	202.000	226 900		requirement
	waste	shortfall against	<u>+81,500</u>	<u>-145,400</u>	<u>-203,000</u>	<u>-326,800</u>		calculations in line
	recycling	target						with Examination
	Non-	Capacity surplus or		_				Hearing Document
	<u>hazardous</u>	shortfall against	<u>+91,700</u>	<u>+4,500</u>	+15,000	<u>+8,700</u>		H10.
	residual	target						

	waste treatment Overall Non-Hazardous Waste Diversion Capacity Balance N.B. + denotes a surplus capacity - denotes a shortfall in capacity Source: Oxfordshire County Council	+262,600	<u>-69,500</u>	-138,400	-274,500		Main
5.26	For Oxfordshire to be net self-sufficient in refor sites that are sufficient to enable the warmet. Policy W4 W3 provides for these capasites for waste management development in particular the provision that may need to be table 7.	ste managem acity requirem n the Site Allo	nent requiren ents to be m ocations Doc	nents set ou et through t cument, inclu	t in table 5 to he allocation uding in	o be of	Clarification and consequential amendment. Additional
5.27	Sites already in use for waste management capacity required in the early part of the plant industrial non-hazardous waste recycling from excavation waste recycling facilities is likeled sets out how the assessed need for waster in the consideration of proposals for waster	an period. A r acilities and fo y to arise late management	need for addi or construction or in the plan t capacity sh	tional comm on, demolitic period (tabl	nercial and on and e 7). Policy V	√3	Consequential amendments Additional
5.28	Facilities for preparation for re-use, transfer (of food waste) help move the management facilities should are generally be encouraged hazardous recycling capacity that is expect facilities do not manage waste themselves facilities that do, thereby helping to move to the Recycling, and composting and food wasted other areas at the same time as providing management needs.	nt of waste up ed, particularl ted to arise la but can assis he manageme e treatment fa	the waste hely having regeter in over the efficier ent of waste cilities may received.	ierarchy. The ard to the slope plan period transporta up the wast	ese types of hortfall in nor od. Transfer tion of waste e hierarchy. The waste fron	<u>n-</u> e to	Consequential amendment and clarification following changes to policy W3

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5.29	In the case of facilities for the treatment of residual waste, a more cautious approach should be	Clarifications
	is taken. Residual waste treatment facilities come below recycling and composting in the waste	A 1 11/1 1
	hierarchy and no need has been identified for additional capacity in Oxfordshire within the plan	Additional
	period. These facilities are expensive to develop and tend to be large scale and would therefore	
	be likely to draw waste into Oxfordshire from other areas. An excess of capacity for this type of	
	facility is more likely to result in mixed waste being 'disposed' managed further from its source,	
	contrary to the proximity principle (see paragraph 2.28). An excess of residual waste treatment	
	capacity could also impede the achievement of recycling and composting targets. These dis-	
	benefits may be reduced if it becomes practical and economic to develop smaller scale facilities	
	were developed. If designed to serve a local need, particularly if linked to local provision of heat	
	and power, smaller scale residual waste treatment facilities may be acceptable where they help	
	to divert waste from landfill and it can be demonstrated that the they would not impede the	
	achievement of recycling and composting targets.	
Policy W3	Policy W3: Provision for waste management capacity and facilities required	To clarify that
(5.30)		provision for
	Provision will be made for the following additional waste management capacity to	facilities further up
	manage the non-hazardous element of the principal waste streams: through this policy	the waste
	and policies W4, W5 and W6 sufficient to meet the need for management of the principal	hierarchy
	waste streams identified in policy W1 and the waste management targets in policy W2,	(recycling,
	including any provision that needs to be made for additional waste management capacity	preparation for re-
	that cannot be met by existing facilities.	use, composting
		and food waste
	Non-hazardous waste recycling:	treatment) will not
	 by 2021: at least 145,400 tpa 	be capped
	 by 2026: at least 203,000 tpa 	according to a
	 by 2031: at least 326,800 tpa 	capacity
		requirement, to
	Waste management capacity requirements will be kept under review and updated in the	give weight to the
	Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports. The Minerals and Waste	benefits of
	Annual Monitoring Reports will also set out how the waste management capacity	recycling facilities,
	requirements are expected to be met, including the capacity that is expected to be	and that the Part

provided by:

- Permanent and established waste management facilities;
- Time-limited waste management facilities;
- Sites with planning permission for waste management facilities that have not yet been built;
- Sites allocated for waste development in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2

 Site Allocations Document.

Account will be taken of any requirements for additional waste management capacity (as identified in Table 7 or the most recent update in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports) in the consideration of proposals for new waste management facilities for the principal waste streams.

Proposals for facilities for re-use, transfer and pre-treatment of waste (recycling, composting and treatment of food waste) will normally be permitted. Proposals for the treatment of residual waste will only be permitted if it can be demonstrated that the development would not impede the achievement of the waste management targets in policy W2 and that it would enable waste to be recovered at one of the nearest appropriate installations.

Specific sites for strategic and non-strategic waste management facilities (other than landfill) to meet the requirements set out in in this policy, or in any update of these requirements in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports, at locations that are in accordance with policies W4 and W5 and other relevant policies of this Plan and of other development plans will be allocated in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document. Other sites which are suitable for strategic and non-strategic waste management facilities and which provide additional capacity for preparation for re-use, recycling or composting of waste or treatment of food waste (including waste transfer facilities that help such provision) at locations that are in accordance with policies W4 and W5 and other relevant policies of this Plan and of other development plans will also be allocated in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document.

2: Plan will allocate such suitable sites in line with Examination Hearing Document H10.

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Permission will be granted at allocated sites for the relevant types and sizes of waste management facilities for which they are allocated provided that the requirements of policies C1 – C12 are met.

Permission will normally be granted for proposals for waste management facilities that provide capacity for preparation for re-use, recycling or composting of waste or treatment of food waste (including waste transfer facilities that help such provision) at other sites that are located in accordance with policies W4 and W5 and that meet the requirements of policies C1 - C12, taking into account the benefits of providing additional capacity for the management of waste at these levels of the waste hierarchy, and unless the adverse impacts of doing so demonstrably outweigh the benefits. Where permission is granted for such a facility at a time-limited mineral working or landfill site this will normally be subject to the same time limit as that applying to the host facility and the site shall be restored in accordance with the requirements of policy M10 for restoration of mineral workings at the end of its permitted period. Except where a new planning permission is granted for retention of the facility beyond its permitted end date, temporary facility sites shall be restored at the end of their permitted period.

Proposals for non-hazardous residual waste treatment will only be permitted if it can be demonstrated that the development would not impede the movement of waste up the hierarchy and that it would enable waste to be recovered at one of the nearest appropriate installations, and provided that the proposal is located in accordance with policies W4 and W5 and meets the requirements of policies C1-C12. Account will be taken of any requirements for additional non-hazardous residual waste management capacity that may be identified in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Reports in the consideration of proposals for additional non-hazardous residual waste management capacity for the principal waste streams.

Proposals for disposal by landfill will be determined in accordance with policy W6.

5.31 Policy W4 provides the general strategy for the location of new waste facilities, as illustrated on Clarifications and

	W10) this policy appl landfill is dealt with s	ies to facilities in eparately in pol be <u>identified ar</u> a policy W5 req	managing the pr icy W6. Specific <u>nd</u> allocated in th uirements of this	incipal waste stre sites for <u>additior</u> ne Site Allocation	policies W7, W8, W9 and eams. The approach to nal waste management is Document, taking into 5 (Siting of waste	consequential changes. Additional
5.32	towards locations clo and for facilities in th guide to differentiation as a guide to differentiation as a guide to differentiation Strategic faciliti Non-strategic faciliti smaller scale for and smaller scale for Table 8: Guide Strategie Non-Strategie Small scale	se to the main e more rural partial pa	centres of popul rts of the county er and smaller s n different scales nat would manage se that manage se that manage se that manage scale of waste r ment/Recovery Facili per annum) <50,000 tpa * * *	ation (as indicate to be of smaller cale facilities 47. It of facility 47*: pe at least 50,000 between 20,000	tpa waste or 25,000 tpa of	Presentational changes. Additional
	*move footnote 47 he	-				
5.33	Strategic <u>waste man</u> parts of it. <u>Banbury</u> , I population linked by	Bicester, Oxford	d, Abingdon and	Didcot (figure 2)	•	Consequential amendments to changes to policy

	considerable growth and together with Banbury and Abingdon will account for a very significant	W4 and
	portion of the county's waste <u>production</u> . Any strategic waste management facilities should	clarifications.
	normally be within 40 15 kilometres of Oxford City centre (which is approximately equivalent to a	
	zone of 12km from the built up area of Oxford) or 5 kilometres of the specified towns, but	Main
	avoiding the Oxford Green Belt and North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	
	(see policy policies W5 and C8). Facilities in these locations will be closer to large quantities of	
	waste arisings, thereby avoiding the need for long distance movements by lorry road. They can	
	also benefit from the linkage provided by the A34/M40, which allows for movement of waste by	
	road without directly impacting on local communities. Growth at these towns, particularly the key	
	growth areas of Bicester, Oxford and Didcot, may also bring forward site opportunities for new	
	additional waste management facilities. Locations further from these towns may also be suitable	
	where there is good access to the Oxfordshire lorry route network (policy C10). Whilst Banbury	
	is the second largest town in Oxfordshire, it is not included as a location for strategic waste	
	management facilities because it is located in the north of the county, away from the main	
	concentration of population and development, and it is not one of the key growth areas.	
5.34	Non-strategic waste management facilities are likely to serve an area equivalent to that of a	Consequential
	district and should normally be located close to Oxford City or the larger towns: Abingdon,	amendments to
	Bicester, Didcot, Banbury, Witney and Wantage & Grove (figure 2). Growth at these towns,	changes to policy
	particularly the key growth areas of Bicester, Oxford, Didcot and Wantage & Grove, may bring	W4 and
	forward site opportunities for new additional waste management facilities. Non-strategic waste	clarifications.
	management facilities may also be located at or close to the small towns of Carterton, Chipping	
	Norton, Faringdon, Henley-on-Thames, Thame and Wallingford. Any non-strategic waste	Main
	management facilities should normally be within 15 kilometres of Oxford City centre or 5	
	kilometres of the specified large towns or 2 kilometres of the small towns; but non-strategic	
	facilities are also unlikely to be compatible with the aims of planning in the Areas of Outstanding	
	Natural Beauty (policy C8). Locations further from the large specified towns may also be suitable	
	where there is good access to the Oxfordshire lorry route network (policy C10) or other benefits	
	where there is good access to the Oxfordshire lorry route network (policy C10) or other benefits can be demonstrated (e.g. <u>providing a local supply of recycled aggregates or making good use</u>	
	where there is good access to the Oxfordshire lorry route network (policy C10) or other benefits can be demonstrated (e.g. <u>providing a local supply of recycled aggregates or making good use</u> of previously developed land). Locations in the Oxford Green Belt should be avoided (see policy	
	where there is good access to the Oxfordshire lorry route network (policy C10) or other benefits can be demonstrated (e.g. <u>providing a local supply of recycled aggregates or making good use</u>	

	and/or non-strategic waste management faci and Grove exclude the Oxford Meadows, Co Areas of Conservation and a 200 metre dust Locations in the Green Belt for both strategic will be considered against policy W5 C12 in I	thill Fen, Little impact buffer and/or non-s	e Wittenham a zone adjacer strategic waste	and Hackpen Hill nt to these SACs	Special	
5.35	Large parts of the county are rural in character and relatively remote from the Oxfordshire Lorry Route Network and the main sources of waste arising. Much of the county comprises attractive countryside with small village communities. These rural areas are only likely to be suitable for small scale waste <u>management</u> facilities. Facilities of such scale are more likely to be in keeping with their surroundings, with traffic movements <u>levels</u> appropriate to rural roads. Where necessary, controls may be imposed on the volume of waste <u>that can to</u> be handled at <u>such</u> facilities, to ensure they remain small scale and do not <u>give rise to have</u> unacceptable impacts. Locations close to towns (figure 2) are more likely to reduce the distances waste needs to be transported, but other locations <u>may could</u> be acceptable where the criteria in policy W5 and policies C1 – C1112 are met.					Clarifications Additional
5.36	The hierarchical sequential nature of the spa					Consequential amendment and clarifications.
	Town	Strategic	Non- strategic	Small scale		Main
	Abingdon, Bicester, Didcot, Oxford, Banbury	✓	✓	✓		
	Banbury, Witney, Wantage & Grove	х	✓	✓		
	Small Towns*	х	<u> </u>	✓		
	Source: Oxfordshire County Council * Carterton, Chipping Norton, Faringdon, Her	hley-on-Thames	, Thame, Walling	ıford		

5.37	One of the aims of the plan is to achieve a <u>more</u> balanced distribution of waste management capacity across the county in relation to population and consequent waste arisings. Table 10 shows that with the exception of Oxford there is a reasonably well balanced distribution in the number of existing waste facilities between the districts, but that the distribution of the waste management capacity these facilities provide is less well balanced. This should be taken into account in making decisions on locations for facilities. The spatial strategy in policy W4 provides opportunity for this imbalance to be addressed, subject to suitable sites for waste management facilities being available. In particular, any opportunities that arise to add to There is a particular need for additional waste management capacity in or close to Oxford should where possible be taken, although the constraint of the Green Belt and pressures for other forms of development suggest that Oxford is unlikely to be able to provide the balance of waste management capacity achieved in the other districts.	For consistency with policy W4 and clarifications and consequential amendments Main
5.38	Policy W4 provides a locational framework for the provision of additional waste management facilities capacity that reflects the needs and characteristics of different parts of the county, whilst also providing flexibility for the market to respond to waste management needs.	Clarifications Additional
Policy W4 (5.39)	 Policy W4: Locations for facilities to manage the principal waste streams Facilities (other than landfill) to manage the principal waste streams should be located as follows: a) Strategic waste management facilities should normally be located in or close to Banbury, Bicester, Oxford, Abingdon and Didcot, as indicated on the Key Waste Key Diagram. Locations further from these towns may be appropriate where there is access to the Oxfordshire lorry route network in accordance with Policy C10. b) Non-strategic waste management facilities should normally be located in or close to Banbury, Bicester, Oxford, Abingdon and Didcot, and the other large towns (Banbury, Witney and Wantage & Grove) and the small towns (Carterton, Chipping Norton, Faringdon, Henley-on-Thames, Thame and Wallingford), as indicated on the 	Update to spatial strategy following updated Sustainability Appraisal report. Main

	Key Waste Key Diagram. Locations further from these towns may be appropriate where there is access to the Oxfordshire lorry route network in accordance with Policy C10. c) Elsewhere in Oxfordshire, and particularly in more remote rural areas, facilities should only be small scale, in keeping with their surroundings. The locations for strategic and/or non-strategic waste management facilities around Oxford, Abingdon, Didcot and Wantage and Grove exclude the Oxford Meadows, Cothill Fen, Little Wittenham and Hackpen Hill Special Areas of Conservation and a 200 metre dust impact buffer zone adjacent to these SACs. As indicated on the Waste Key Diagram, strategic and non-strategic waste management facilities (that comprise major development) should not be located within Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty except where it can be demonstrated that the 'major developments test' in the NPPF (paragraph 116), and as reflected in policy C8, is met. Specific sites for waste management facilities (other than landfill) to meet the requirements set out in Policy W3 will be allocated in accordance with this locational strategy in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 — Site Allocations Document. The suitability of any new sites for allocation in the Site Allocations Document will be assessed against the criteria in policies W5 and C1 — C11.	
5.40	Policy W5 identifies a number of land uses that are likely to be suitable for waste management. This is not an exhaustive list but, equally, and the suitability of a specific site proposal must will also be assessed against the criteria in policies C1 – C11 C12. These policies are designed to ensure that facilities do not endanger human health or cause unacceptable harm to the environment. Policy W4 will also help determine whether a site can accommodate a particular scale of activity.	Clarifications Additional
5.44	The NPPW states that in identifying sites for waste management, priority should be given to the re-use of previously developed land, sites identified for employment uses, and redundant	Consequential amendments as a

	agricultural and forestry buildings and their curtilages. Waste development should generally be avoided on greenfield land. Green field Other greenfield sites should only may be considered where they can be shown to be the most suitable and sustainable option and where potential harm, particularly landscape impact, can be satisfactorily mitigated. Depending on the area of land involved, these considerations may also be relevant where the extension of an existing site onto green field greenfield land is proposed. Where major urban development is proposed on greenfield land, it may be appropriate to incorporate waste management facilities, for example as proposed for Bicester eco-town.	result of changes to W5 and to address 033/11 in part. Additional
5.46	Delete whole paragraph; replaced by new paragraph in section 6, supporting new policy C12.	Paragraph moved, consequent to new policy C12. Additional
5.47	Delete whole paragraph; replaced by new paragraph in section 6, supporting new policy C12.	Paragraph moved, consequent to new policy C12. Additional
5.48	Delete whole paragraph; replaced by new paragraph in section 6, supporting new policy C12.	Paragraph moved, consequent to new policy C12. Additional
Policy W5 (5.49)	Policy W5: Siting of waste management facilities	Changes to policy to move some functional aspects
	Priority will be given to siting waste management facilities on land that:	to policy W3 and
	is already in waste management or industrial use; or	clarify that
	is previously developed, derelict or underused; or	development on
	is at an active mineral working or landfill site; or	greenfield
	involves existing agricultural buildings and their curtilages; or	locations may be

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	 is at a waste water treatment works. 	possible where it is
	Waste management facilities may be sited on other land in greenfield locations where this	the most suitable
	can be shown to be the most suitable and sustainable option.	and sustainable
		option in line with
	Proposals for temporary facilities must provide for the satisfactory removal of the facility	national guidance.
	and restoration of the site at the end of its temporary period of operation, including at	
	mineral working and landfill sites where the facility shall be removed on or before the	Green Belt
	cessation of the host activity. Temporary facility sites shall be restored in accordance	provisions moved
	with the requirements of policy M10 for restoration of mineral workings.	to new policy C12.
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	Waste management facilities will not be permitted on green field land unless this can be shown to be the most suitable and sustainable option for location of the facility.	Main
	Waste management development that is inappropriate in the Green Belt will not be permitted unless there are very special circumstances why it should not be located in the Green Belt. Conditions may be imposed on any permission granted to ensure that the development only serves to meet a need that comprises or forms part of the very special circumstances.	
	Proposals for new waste management facilities shall meet the criteria in policies C1 – C11.	
5.63	The Site Allocations Document will make provision for any further sites that are needed for the plan period. A number of options have been put forward by waste and mineral operators for the	Clarification
	use of inert waste to restore worked out quarries. In addition, new quarries and extensions to existing quarries which involve infilling with inert waste to achieve restoration are expected to come into operation during the life-time of the Core Strategy (through implementation of the plan's minerals strategy). It is unlikely that there will not be sufficient reasonable options to provide for the disposal of residual inert waste arisings; rather, it is more likely that there will be a shortage of this type of waste to achieve satisfactory restoration of worked out quarries (see also policy M10). Policy W6 therefore provides for priority to be given to the use of residual inert waste in the restoration of quarries. Inert waste is also managed through operational	Additional

development schemes and projects such as noise bund construction and flood defence works. Otherwise-In such cases, proposals for disposal of inert waste on land should demonstrate that there is a positive environmental benefit and that there will be no adverse landscape impact.	
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Policy W6: Landfill and other permanent deposit of waste to land	Update to clarify
	that the policy
Non-hazardous waste disposal facilities	relates to both
	landfill and
Provision for disposal of Oxfordshire's non-hazardous waste will be made at existing	applications
non-hazardous landfill facilities which will also provide for the disposal of waste from	involving the
other areas (including London and Berkshire) as necessary. Further provision for the	permanent deposit
disposal of non-hazardous waste by means of landfill will not be made.	of waste to land.
Permission may be granted to extend the life of existing non-hazardous landfill sites to	Main
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with a previously approved scheme.	
Permission will be granted for facilities for the management of landfill gas and leachate	
of management.	
Inert waste disposal facilities	
Provision for the permanent deposit to land or disposal to landfill of inert waste which	
the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document. Provision will be	
made for sites with capacity sufficient for Oxfordshire to be net-self-sufficient in the	
management and disposal of inert waste.	
	Provision for disposal of Oxfordshire's non-hazardous waste will be made at existing non-hazardous landfill facilities which will also provide for the disposal of waste from other areas (including London and Berkshire) as necessary. Further provision for the disposal of non-hazardous waste by means of landfill will not be made. Permission may be granted to extend the life of existing non-hazardous landfill sites to allow for the continued disposal of residual non-hazardous waste to meet a recognised need and where this will allow for the satisfactory restoration of the landfill in accordance with a previously approved scheme. Permission will be granted for facilities for the management of landfill gas and leachate where required to fulfil a regulatory requirement or to achieve overall environmental benefit, including facilities for the recovery of energy from landfill gas. Provision should be made for the removal of the facilities and restoration of the site at the end of the period of management. Inert waste disposal facilities Provision for the permanent deposit to land or disposal to landfill of inert waste which cannot be recycled will be made at existing facilities and in sites that will be allocated in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document. Provision will be made for sites with capacity sufficient for Oxfordshire to be net-self-sufficient in the

	Priority will be given to the use of inert waste that cannot be recycled as infill material to achieve the satisfactory restoration and after use of active or unrestored quarries. Permission will not otherwise be granted for development that involves the permanent deposit or disposal of inert waste on land unless there would be overall environmental benefit. General Proposals for landfill sites shall meet the requirements of criteria in policies C1 – C11 C12.	
	Landfill sites shall be restored in accordance with the requirements of policy M10 for restoration of mineral workings.	
5.72	Proposals for the management of hazardous waste should also have regard to policies W4 (general locations) and W5 (specific locations) and policies C1-C1112.	Consequential to the addition of policy C12 and typo. Additional
Policy W7 (5.73)	Policy W7: Management and disposal of hazardous waste Permission will be granted for facilities for the management and disposal of hazardous waste where they are designed to manage waste produced in Oxfordshire. Facilities that are likely to serve a wider area should demonstrate that they will meet a need for waste management that is not adequately provided for elsewhere. Proposals for new waste management facilities shall meet the criteria in requirements of policies W4, W5 and C1 – C1112.	Clarification and consequential amendment. Main
5.76	Policy W8 allows for the construction of facilities for the management of agricultural waste	Consequential to

	provided they comply with policies C1-C1112. Treatment of agricultural waste by processes such as anaerobic digestion offer opportunity opportunities to generate energy from waste and the possibility of recovering heat for use locally and this is encouraged. Intensive livestock units offer such opportunities where already located away from housing and benefiting from good access. Attention should be paid to the impact of development on the local landscape, particularly if situated within, or close to, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.	the addition of policy C12 and typo. Additional
Policy W8 (5.78)	Proposals for the treatment of agricultural waste within a unit of agricultural production will normally be acceptable; and such proposals will be encouraged to provide for the generation of energy from this waste or heat for local use. Proposals that are designed to treat agricultural waste in conjunction with other wastes at facilities not located on an agricultural unit will be assessed in accordance with policies W4 and W5. Provision for the management of non-organic agricultural waste will be made at facilities designed to manage inert, non-hazardous and hazardous wastes in accordance with policies W3 and W7. All proposals shall meet the criteria in requirements of policies C1 – C1112.	Clarification and consequential amendment. Main
5.XX (New paragraph to be inserted before 5.80)	The national strategy for the management of radioactive waste is prepared and issued by the NDA. The Energy Act 2004 requires that the NDA Strategy is reviewed and republished at least every five years. UK Government and the Scottish Ministers approved the current Strategy, "NDA Strategy III" in March 2016 and it came into effect in April 2016. The NDA also published its Higher Activity Waste Strategy in May 2016. The Minerals and Waste Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy seeks to be consistent with prevailing NDA Strategy, as well as other strategic waste management document published by the NDA, and recognises its status as a national policy in the arena of radioactive waste management.	Factual update to address representation 140/ac/1. Additional

5.80	In Oxfordshire, low level and intermediate level wastes arise from the former nuclear energy research facility at Harwell, in vale of White Horse District, and the Joint European Taurus Torus (JET) facility at Culham, in South Oxfordshire District. Most of this waste will be from the decommissioning of facilities, as detailed in table 15.	Clarification to address representation 140/2. Additional
5.84	The former nuclear energy research facility at Harwell includes an area designated as a nuclear licensed site. The 'licensed area' at Harwell is being progressively decommissioned with a view to its redevelopment as part of the Harwell Oxford Campus. The decommissioning programme provides for the treatment and storage of the legacy radioactive wastes that remain from earlier research activity and this will continue throughout the lifetime of the Core Strategy. Part of the Harwell Oxford Campus (an area separated from the main nuclear licensed site, and containing the Liquid Effluent Treatment Plant) is within the recently designated Science Vale Enterprise Zone. The site is also within the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.	Clarification to address representation 140/2. Additional
5.85	Facilities for the treatment and long term storage of intermediate level radioactive waste have already been developed and a new store will be available in 2017. The site operator has not identified a need for further facilities to manage intermediate level radioactive waste and planning permission has been granted for the development of an intermediate level waste store at the Harwell Nuclear licensed site. It is likely that the consented facility will meet the site operator's interim radioactive waste storage requirements throughout the plan period, but policy W9 makes provision for such further development if necessary. Development to facilitate the storage or management of ILW other than that produced in Oxfordshire should demonstrate that it is the best option in terms of sustainability and environmental considerations.	Clarification to address representation 140/2 and a consequential change. Additional
5.89	The Culham Science Centre United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority (UKAEA) hosts and operates the Joint European Taurus-Torus (JET) project in building J at Culham Science Centre. Support buildings include a small facility for the treatment and storage of radioactive waste. Some buildings associated with JET will be retained when the project ceases, but others are subject to temporary permission and some radioactive waste will result when decommissioning takes place. The United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority's UKAEA's view is that, consistent with policies in the adopted South Oxfordshire Core Strategy, the JET site could continue to host	Clarifications to address representation 092/3 and a consequential amendment.

	further activity. This is not yet confirmed and so the possible need to manage radioactive wastes from decommissioning must be anticipated.	Additional
5.90	Recent changes to the Environmental Permitting Regulations have reduced the need (and therefore volume) for some waste produced at Culham to be categorised as radioactive waste. For waste categorised as radioactive the small waste management facility at Culham is not seen as a long term solution for treatment or storage. Policy W9 therefore makes provision for storage at Harwell of intermediate level waste arising at Culham. For low level radioactive waste arising from decommissioning, the site operator has not yet identified a disposal route and provision needs to be made for this in the Core Strategy.	Clarification to address representation 092/3. Additional
5.91	Disposal of lower activity waste at Culham would conflict with the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority's vision for the site, set out in a recently developed master plan. The site operator also believes that economic and environmental considerations are likely to result in such waste being stored or disposed off-site. However, because of the uncertainties around the disposal of this type of waste, the option of on-site disposal cannot be discounted and so policy W9 makes provision for this if necessary. Culham is in the Green Belt where inappropriate development should only be allowed if there are very special circumstances (policy W5 C12). Application would also need to be made to the Environment Agency for a disposal licence, as part of which, 'Best Available Technique' would need to be demonstrated.	Consequential to the addition of policy C12. Additional
Policy W9 (5.92)	Permission will be granted for proposals for the management or disposal of low level radioactive waste where it is demonstrated that a significant contribution could be made to the management or disposal of waste produced in Oxfordshire. Permission will be granted for proposals for management of intermediate level radioactive waste produced in Oxfordshire at the Harwell nuclear licensed site. Permission will be granted for Pproposals relating to low level radioactive waste or intermediate level radioactive waste that provide for the needs of a wider area should demonstrate where it is demonstrated that they would meet a need for waste management that is not adequately provided for elsewhere, and are consistent with national strategy for radioactive waste management.	To address representation 140/2 and Matter 7, Issue 9 to clarify that management and disposal of radioactive waste may be across the NDA estate.

	 The Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document will allocate sites to make specific provision for: the treatment and storage of Oxfordshire's intermediate level legacy radioactive waste at Harwell Oxford Campus and Culham Science Centre pending its disposal at a national disposal facility; the treatment and storage of low level legacy radioactive waste at Harwell Oxford Campus and Culham Science Centre pending its eventual disposal; and the disposal of low level radioactive waste at bespoke facilities at Harwell Oxford Campus or at Culham Science Centre if this is demonstrated to be the most sustainable option for disposal of this waste. All proposals shall meet the criteria in requirements of policies C1 – C1112. 	
5.96	This type of development has the potential to impact on the environment, in particular landscape and general amenity. Allowing waste water development to take place on green field greenfield land (contrary to the general presumption in policy W5) allows for it to be sited away from settlements, at a distance from local housing. Development in such locations should still be capable of meeting the requirements of policies C1-C1112. Where this is not the case, compelling arguments would be needed to allow the development to proceed. Particular considerations apply in the Green Belt and the Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (see policies W5C12 and C8).	Consequential to the update to policy W5 and the addition of policy C12. Additional
Policy W10 (5.97)	Policy W10: Management and disposal of waste water and sewage sludge Permission will be granted for proposals for the treatment and disposal of waste water and sewage sludge where they are: in the interests of long term waste water management; or to improve operational efficiency; or to enable planned development to be taken forward. Proposals should accord with policies C1 – C1112 and will otherwise only be considered	Consequential update Main

	favourably if there is an over-riding need that cannot be met in a more suitable location and provided that any adverse environmental impact is minimised.	
5.103	Pending the adoption of the Site Allocations Document the District Councils are requested to consult the County Council (as Waste Planning Authority) on all planning applications for non-waste development that are proposed on a safeguarded site, thereby ensuring that any waste planning issues can be properly taken into account. The District Councils are also requested to consult the County Council on proposals for development close to a safeguarded site to allow consideration to be given to whether it may be incompatible with or prejudicial to current or future waste use of the safeguarded site. The Site Allocations Document will confirm where consultation may not be necessary, but pending the adoption of that document a consultation zone of 250m will be applied to all safeguarded sites except sewage treatment works, where a 400m consultation zone will apply.	Clarification to address representations 015/2 and 015/ac/2. Main
Policy W11 (5.105)	Policy W11: Safeguarding waste management sites The Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document will identify sites that will be safeguarded for waste management use for the duration of their planning permission the plan period, comprising: • operational waste management sites in waste use and with planning permission allowing the use to continue for the remainder of the plan period;	To address representations 113/12 and 113/ac/5. Main
	 sites with planning permission for waste management use which have not yet been brought into operation but where the use or development permitted has not yet been undertaken; vacant sites last used for waste management purposes; and sites allocated for waste management development in the Site Allocations Document. 	
	Pending the adoption of the Site Allocations Document existing and permitted waste management sites(as specified in Appendix 2) are safeguarded for future waste management use the sites safeguarded for waste management use are specified in Appendix 2.	

	The list of sites safeguarded for future waste management use will be monitored and kept up to date in the Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Report. Proposals for development that would directly or indirectly prevent or prejudice the use of a site safeguarded for waste management will not be permitted unless: • the development is in accordance with a site allocation for development in an adopted local plan or neighbourhood plan; or • equivalent waste management capacity can be appropriately and sustainably provided elsewhere; or • it can be demonstrated that the site is no longer required for waste management.	
Figure 12	Update Figure 12: Waste Key Diagram as a result of changes to the waste spatial strategy in Policy W4. (see Appendix A)	To ensure waste key diagram is up to date. Additional
6.XX (new paragraph to be inserted after 6.20)	Archaeological remains sometimes exist in waterlogged conditions. In such cases, their preservation relies on them remaining saturated with water. Where waterlogged remains are present, appropriate measures should be taken to afford their preservation.	To provide context in addressing representation 120/22.
Policy C4 (6.21)	Policy C4: Water environment Proposals for minerals and waste development will need to demonstrate that there would be no unacceptable adverse impact on or risk to: • The quantity or quality of surface or groundwater resources required for habitats, wildlife and human activities; • The quantity or quality of water obtained through abstraction unless acceptable provision can be made; and • The flow of groundwater at or in the vicinity of the site; and	To address representation 070/14 and 120/22. Main

	<u>Waterlogged archaeological remains.</u> Proposals for minerals and waste development should ensure that the River Thames and other watercourses and canals of significant landscape, nature conservation, or amenity	
	value are adequately protected <u>from unacceptable adverse impacts</u> .	
6.26	Policy C5 addresses general environmental, and amenity and economic considerations only. Other core policies address areas associated with environmental protection, including water quality, the natural environment, the historic environment and landscape.	To address representation 026/3 and a consequential amendment. Additional
6.28	Where significant development on agricultural land is <u>demonstrated to be</u> necessary, national policy is that local planning authorities should seek to use areas of poorer quality land in preference to that of a higher quality. There are extensive areas of high quality agricultural land in Oxfordshire, much of which is underlain by minerals, particularly sand and gravel. Proposals for minerals development will be expected to address the impact of the development on the extent and quality of any best and most versatile (BMV) agricultural land (grades 1, 2 and 3a). Where appropriate not already available, detailed agricultural land classification survey information should be provided for proposals on agricultural land. Proposals for waste development should be capable of avoiding best and most versatile agricultural land and permanent development involving the loss of such land will not normally be permitted.	To address representation 126/2. Additional
6.29	The quality of the existing land and the ability to restore it to high standards will be an important factor when selecting the form of restoration and after-use of mineral workings. Where mineral extraction affects BMV agricultural land, proposals for restoration and aftercare should look to preserve the long-term potential for the land and its soils as a high quality agricultural resource for the future wherever possible. Proposals for restoration need to be realistic, however, and iln some cases a return to agriculture may need to be at lower ground level due to a lack of availability of suitable inert infill material. In the floodplain the use of fill to restore mineral working must take account of national policy on flood risk (see also policies C3 and M10) and a return to	To address representation 126/2. Additional

agriculture may not always be possible; it may not be possible to return land to pre-existing levels and a return to agricultural land at lower ground level may not be practicable due to a high water table.	
Sites on BMV agricultural land should usually be restored to a similar standard. Where a significant area of BMV agricultural land would not be restored after mineral extraction, proposals will need to demonstrate that there is an overriding need for the mineral which cannot reasonably be met on lower grade land, that all options for reinstatement without loss of quality have been considered (for example by infilling with inert materials, low level drainage or engineered landform) and that there is good planning reason to justify the development in that location. Any Other benefits, such as a net gain in biodiversity, that may result from a different form of restoration after-use will also be a relevant consideration. Where restoration would not be to agriculture, provision for the sustainable management and use of soils disturbed during extraction should be demonstrated, such that if required the soils would be in a state capable of supporting agriculture. This should include stripping handling and storage of soils in ways that maintain soil quality and safeguards BMV land so that it retains its long term capability. Where BMV agricultural land is not restored, proposals must show how alternative and beneficial use is to be made of any surplus high quality soils that are not being replaced.	To address representation 126/2. Main
Proposals for minerals and waste development shall demonstrate that they take into account the presence of any best and most versatile agricultural land. The permanent loss of best and most versatile agricultural land will only be permitted where it can be shown that there is an overriding need for the development which cannot reasonably be met using lower grade land, and where all options for reinstatement without loss of quality have been considered, taking into account other relevant considerations. Development proposals should make provision for the management and use of soils in	To address representation 126/2. <i>Main</i>
	levels and a return to agricultural land at lower ground level may not be practicable due to a high water table. Sites on BMV agricultural land should usually be restored to a similar standard. Where a significant area of BMV agricultural land would not be restored after mineral extraction, proposals will need to demonstrate that there is an overriding need for the mineral which cannot reasonably be met on lower grade land, that all options for reinstatement without loss of quality have been considered (for example by infilling with inert materials, low level drainage or engineered landform) and that there is good planning reason to justify the development in that location. Any Other benefits, such as a net gain in biodiversity, that may result from a different form of restoration after-use will also be a relevant consideration. Where restoration would not be to agriculture, provision for the sustainable management and use of soils disturbed during extraction should be demonstrated, such that if required the soils would be in a state capable of supporting agriculture. This should include stripping handling and storage of soils in ways that maintain soil quality and safeguards BMV land so that it retains its long term capability. Where BMV agricultural land is not restored, proposals must show how alternative and beneficial use is to be made of any surplus high quality soils that are not being replaced. Policy C6: Agricultural land and soils Proposals for minerals and waste development shall demonstrate that they take into account the presence of any best and most versatile agricultural land will only be permitted where it can be shown that there is an overriding need for the development which cannot reasonably be met using lower grade land, and where all options for reinstatement without loss of quality have been considered, taking into account other relevant

	making a positive contribution to the long-term conservation of soils in any restoration.	
6.35	Oxfordshire also has a large number of sites designated locally for their importance to wildlife or habitat including Local Wildlife Sites, Local Nature Reserves and Sites of Local Importance for Nature Conservation. Development should avoid any adverse effects on ensure that no significant harm would be caused to these areas.	Consequential amendment following changes to policy.
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6.35a (new paragraph from second half of 6.35)	In general (other than for SACs), ilf avoidance of adverse effects significant harm is not feasible, adequate mitigation or as a last resort compensatory measures that will result in the maintenance or enhancement of biodiversity (or geodiversity) should be provided. If the effects cannot be avoided or mitigated or, as a last resort, compensated for, then the development should not be allowed to proceed.	Consequential amendment following changes to policy.
Policy C7	Policy C7: Biodiversity and geodiversity	To address
(6.40)	Minerals and waste development should conserve and, where possible, deliver a net gain in biodiversity.	representation 136/2.
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	The highest level of protection will be given to sites and species of international nature conservation importance (e.g. Special Areas of Conservation and European Protected Species) and development that would be likely to adversely affect them will not be permitted.	
	<u>In all other cases</u> , Development that would result in significant harm will not be permitted unless the harm can be <u>avoided</u> , adequately mitigated or, as a last resort, compensated for to result in a net gain in biodiversity (or geodiversity) or , if the impact cannot be fully mitigated or compensated for, the benefits of the development on that site clearly outweigh the harm. <u>In addition:</u>	
	(i) Development that would be likely to have an adverse effect on a Site of Special Scientific Interest (either individually or in combination with other	

	development) will not be permitted except where the benefits of the development at this site clearly outweigh both the impacts that it is likely to have on the Site of Special Scientific Interest and any broader impacts on the national network of Sites of Special Scientific Interest. (iii) Development that would result in the loss or deterioration of irreplaceable habitats, including ancient woodland and aged or veteran trees, will not be permitted except where the need for and benefits of the development in that location clearly outweigh the loss. (iii) Development shall ensure that no significant harm would be caused to: - Local Nature Reserves; - Local Wildlife Sites; - Sites of Local Importance for Nature Conservation; - Protected, priority or notable species and habitats, except where the need for and benefits of the development in that location clearly outweigh the harm. All proposals for mineral working and landfill shall demonstrate how the development will make an appropriate contribution to the maintenance and enhancement of local habitats, biodiversity or geodiversity (including fossil remains and trace fossils), including contributing to the objectives of the Conservation target Areas wherever possible. Satisfactory long-term management arrangements for restored sites shall be clearly set out and included in proposals. These should include a commitment to ecological monitoring and remediation (should habitat creation and/or mitigation prove	
	unsuccessful).	
6.43	Parts of the Cotswolds, <u>and</u> North Wessex Downs and Chilterns AONBs are situated close to towns the large towns of Witney, Wantage and Didcot, which are locations where growth is expected and additional waste will be produced, <u>and are included in the towns specified in Policy W4</u> . The small towns of Chipping Norton, Henley, and Wallingford, which are also specified in	To address representation 146/4 and clarify spatial strategy for

North Wessex Downs AONBs respectively. Small scale* waste management facilities for local needs could be acceptable in AONBs where the development would not compromise the objectives of their designation 105. Policy W4 looks to steer larger scale Any new waste facilities that are required should be located ** to be in or close to these towns and specified towns, but at Witney, Wantage, Didcot, Chipping Norton, Henley, and Wallingford, such facilities will need to be located in a way that does not adversely affect the character or setting of the AONB. Larger scale facilities are unlikely to be acceptable in or close to the AONB. Small scale waste management facilities for local needs could be acceptable where the development would not compromise the objectives of their designation. Proposals for development (both minerals and waste) within AONBs should have regard to the relevant AONB Management Plan.

waste management facilities.

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*Insert new footnote: Facilities less than 20,000 tonnes per annum (small-scale facilities in Policy W4)

Footnote 105: In May 2013 an appeal decision in West Berkshire (APP/W0340/A/12/2188549) found that a proposal for a MRF of 25-30,000tpa capacity would be "out of character with the beauty and tranquillity of the AONB." The Waste Strategy Topic Paper provides information on appeal decisions where waste facilities of this size have been proposed in AONBs.

** Insert new footnote: Facilities 20,000 tonnes per annum and over (strategic and non-strategic facilities in Policy W4)

Policy C8 (6.46)

Policy C8: Landscape

Proposals for minerals and waste development shall demonstrate that they respect and where possible enhance local landscape character, and are informed by landscape character assessment. Proposals shall include adequate and appropriate measures to mitigate adverse impacts on landscape, including careful siting, design and landscaping. Where significant adverse impacts cannot be avoided or adequately mitigated, compensatory environmental enhancements shall be made to offset the residual landscape and visual impacts.

To address representations 146/4 and 126/3 and Examination Document H10 and to provide a more logical ordering of the policy.

	Great weight will be given to conserving the landscape and scenic beauty of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and high priority will be given to the enhancement of their natural beauty. Proposals for minerals and waste development within an AONB or that would significantly affect an AONB shall demonstrate that they take this into account and that they have regard to the relevant AONB Management Plan. Major developments within AONBs will not be permitted except in exceptional circumstances and where it can be demonstrated they are in the public interest, in accordance with the 'major developments test' in the NPPF (paragraph 116). Development within AONBs shall normally only be small-scale, to meet local needs and should be sensitively located and designed. Where adverse impacts cannot be avoided or adequately mitigated, compensatory environmental enhancements shall be made to offset the residual landscape and visual impacts.	Main
6.52	The Oxfordshire Local Transport Plan 2011 – 2030 (LTP3) 2015 – 2031 (LTP4) aims to reduce carbon emissions from transport, improve air quality and reduce other environmental impacts. The County Council recognises that the transport network should be operated in a way that balances the protection of the local environment with efficient and effective access for freight and distribution. To ensure that traffic from new development can be accommodated safely and efficiently on the transport network, contributions are often sought to mitigate adverse impacts: commuted sums can also be sought toward the operation and maintenance of facilities, services and infrastructure 110. Footnote 110: Policy SD2 of the Oxfordshire Local Transport Plan 2011–2030 (revised April 2012). Policy 34 of the Oxfordshire Local Transport Plan 2015 – 2031 (2016)	Factual updates. Additional
New paragraphs (based on 5.46 – 5.48)	The Oxford Green Belt Most In accordance with the NPPF (paragraphs 87-88), proposals for waste management facilities that constitute inappropriate development are, by definition, harmful to the Green Belt and should not be approved except in very special circumstances. When considering planning	To ensure provision for Green Belt is in line with national policy and moved

applications, substantial weight should be given to any harm to the Green Belt. 'Very special circumstances' will not exist unless the potential harm to the Green Belt by reason of inappropriateness, and any other harm, is clearly outweighed by other considerations. are likely to be inappropriate in the Green Belt. The National Planning Policy Framework requires that substantial weight be given to any harm that is likely to be caused by development in the Green Belt. Development that is harmful to the Green Belt should only be approved in very special circumstances; and where the potential harm to the Green Belt is clearly outweighed by other planning considerations. National Policy (NPPF paragraph 90) is that mineral extraction in the Green Belt is not inappropriate development, provided it preserves the openness of the Green Belt, and does not conflict with the purposes of including land in Green Belt.

In the past, planning permissions have been granted for some waste development to take place in the Oxford Green Belt, recognising the difficulty of finding suitable sites in and close to Oxford. Until recently Previous national policy stated that the particular locational needs of some types of waste management facilities, together with the allowed for 'significant weight' to be given to the wider environmental and economic benefits of sustainable waste management are material considerations that should be given significant weight in determining whether proposals should be given planning permission. When considering sites for waste development in the Green Belt. This is no longer the case. The National Planning Policy for Waste states that in preparing Local Plans, waste planning authorities should first look for suitable sites and areas outside the Green Belt for waste management facilities that, if located in the Green Belt, would be inappropriate development; and that the particular locational needs of some types of waste management facilities should be recognised in the preparation of Local Plans. does, however, recognise that some types of waste management facilities may still have to be located in the Green Belt due to their particular locational needs.

Any proposal for inappropriate development in the Green Belt must make clear why there are very special circumstances for it to be sited there, including why that type of facility needs to be located in the Green Belt. Consideration should be given as to why other locations, in particular areas around Didcot and Bicester (policy W4) that are outside the Oxford Green Belt, do not provide suitable alternatives options. If it is demonstrated that there are very special circumstances for development on land in the Green Belt, conditions are likely to be imposed to

to relevant section of the plan.

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	ensure that the permitted any waste facility only serves to meet a need that has been identified as forming part of the very special circumstances. These considerations apply equally to facilities that are intended to operate for a temporary period.	
Policy C12	Proposals that constitute inappropriate development in the Green Belt, will not be permitted except in very special circumstances. 'Very special circumstances' will not exist unless the potential harm to the Green Belt by reason of inappropriateness, and any other harm, is clearly outweighed by other considerations. Conditions may be imposed on any permission granted to ensure that the development only serves to meet a need that comprises or forms an 'other consideration' in the Green Belt balance leading to the demonstration of very special circumstances.	Section of policy W5 on Green Belt moved to form separate core policy with wording changed to clarify meaning. Main
Figure 13	The most up to date Oxfordshire Lorry Route Map from LTP4 will be used when the plan is published.	To ensure the most up-to-date information is used in the Core Strategy. Additional
7.10	Site options for possible allocation in the Site Allocations Document will be assessed against the criteria in policy M4 and the core policies C1-C4112. Proposals for aggregate mineral working within sites that are allocated in the Site Allocations Document, and therefore accord with the minerals planning strategy, will normally be permitted under policy M5. Proposals for mineral working may come forward in other locations, but these will not normally be permitted unless the provision required to deliver the strategy cannot be met from identified areas.	Consequential to the addition of policy C12. Additional
7.15	The core policies C1 to C1112 have been developed to ensure the minerals strategy is delivered in an environmentally acceptable way, including by setting out criteria against which site options will be assessed and planning applications will be considered. These policies will be	Consequential to the addition of policy C12.

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	implemented by the County Council through the development management process.	Additional
7.20 7.21	Observations recorded in the monitoring reports will feed into reviews of the minerals planning strategy. It is intended that the Core Strategy will be reviewed and rolled forward every five years. However, monitoring may indicate a need for review of part or whole of the Core Strategy sooner. For example, if it becomes clear that the provision for minerals supply in the strategy is insufficient or excessive, or that insufficient sites can be allocated or are coming forward as planning applications within the strategic resource areas identified, an earlier review of the Core Strategy may be required. Unless otherwise stated in the monitoring framework, where a trigger is consistently breached for three consecutive years, this would indicate that a review of that policy or part of policy is necessary.	Clarification to how the monitoring framework will be implemented. Main
7.21 7.20	An implementation and monitoring framework for the Core Strategy minerals planning strategy will be included in the Minerals and Waste Monitoring Reports is included at the end of this section. Indicators and targets will be have been developed to provide a consistent basis for monitoring the performance of the Core Strategy's vision, objectives and policies for minerals development to 2031. The indicators will-reflect the intent of the strategy objectives and the sustainability appraisal framework identified in the Sustainability Appraisal Report.	Clarifications Additional
7.22	In the case of some of the core policies it will not be possible to set a specific target but it will still be possible to assess the effectiveness of these policies in relations to minerals development.	Typo Additional
7.44 7.45	Observations recorded in the monitoring reports will feed into review of the waste planning strategy. It is intended that the Core Strategy will be reviewed and rolled forward every five years. However, monitoring may indicate a need for review of part or whole or the Core Strategy sooner. For example, if it becomes clear that the provision for additional waste facilities in the Core Strategy is insufficient, or that insufficient sites can be allocated or are coming forward as planning applications within the strategy locations identified, an earlier review of the Core Strategy may be required. Unless otherwise stated in the monitoring framework, where a trigger is consistently breached for three consecutive years, this would indicate that an update of the Waste Needs Assessment is required. Where an up to date Waste Needs Assessment indicates differences to the policy, a review of that policy or part of policy is necessary.	Clarification to how the monitoring framework will be implemented. Main

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		sites are safeguarded Is and Waste Local Pla			doption of the Oxfordshire Document	Additional
	CHEI	RWELL DISTRICT				
	No.	Site and (Operator)	Parish	Grid Ref	Type of Facility	
	<u>284</u>	Ardley STW (Anglian Water)	<u>Ardley</u>	<u>SP544280</u>	Waste Water Treatment	
	<u>285</u>	Fringford STW (Anglian Water)	Fringford	SP609290	Waste Water Treatment	
	<u>286</u>	Fritwell STW (Anglian Water)	<u>Fritwell</u>	SP526287	Waste Water Treatment	

287	Hardwick Hethe	Hardwick with	SP577295	Waste Water Treatment
	Klargester STW	<u>Tusmore</u>		
	(Anglian Water)			
289	Hethe STW (Anglian	<u>Hethe</u>	SP596294	Waste Water Treatment
	Water)			
290	Stoke Lyne STW	Stoke Lyne	SP565284	Waste Water Treatment
	(Anglian Water)	_		

VALE OF WHITE HORSE DISTRICT							
No.	Site and (Operator)	Parish	Grid Ref	Type of Facility			
255	Didcot Power Station	Milton	SU 508918	Recycle/Transfer			
	(RWE Npower)						

Glossary

<u>Cumulative Impact</u> – changes caused by a development in combination with other similar developments either at the same time or successively over time.

<u>Feedstock</u> – Raw material to supply or fuel a machine or industrial process, such as a mineral processing plant or a waste recycling or treatment plant.

Strategic Resource Area – a broad area of aggregate mineral resources which, based on available geological information, contains potentially workable mineral deposits that, in terms of extent and probable depth of mineral, have the potential to provide new mineral working sites either in the form of new quarries or large extensions to existing quarries. Strategic resource areas are areas within which potential sites for mineral working will be identified and assessed for possible allocation in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document. They are defined by natural boundaries such as roads and rivers and by geological mapping information. They exclude Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Special Areas of Conservation, and buffer zones adjacent to the latter, as well as larger settlements, but other designations and constraints, individual and smaller groups of houses and other more

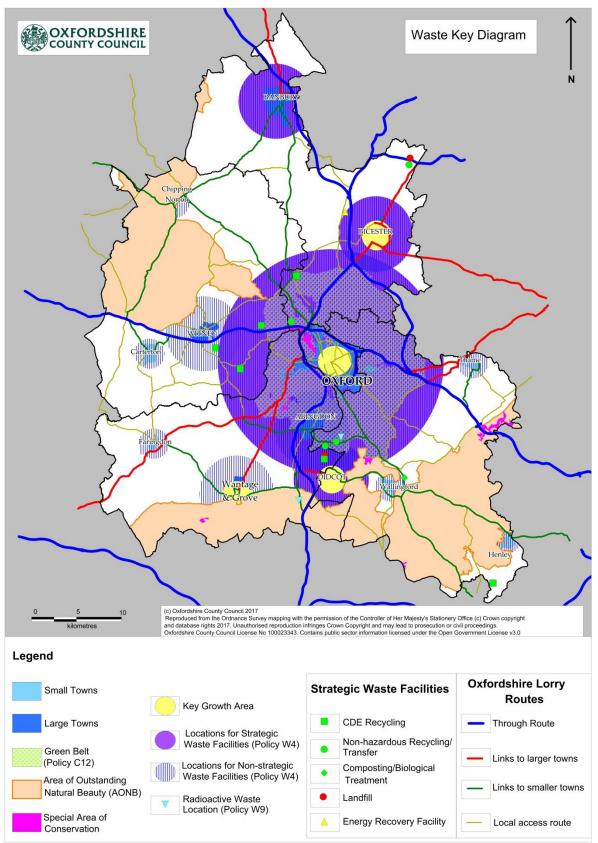
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isolated built developments are not excluded. Land allocated or proposed to be allocated for development in adopted or emerging district local plans and neighbourhood plans is also not necessarily excluded. These are all factors to be taken into account in the assessment of site options when the Site Allocations Document is prepared.

Strategic resource areas are different from 'Areas of Search'. Areas of search are defined in the National Planning Practice Guidance as "areas where knowledge of mineral resources may be less certain but within which planning permission may be granted, particularly if there is a potential shortfall in supply" (Paragraph: 008; Reference ID: 27-008-20140306). Strategic resource areas differ in that permission will normally only be granted for mineral working within them at sites that are allocated in the Site Allocations Document (policy M5). Whilst permission may be granted within a strategic resource area but outside of an allocated site either prior to adoption of the Site Allocations Document or as an exception after adoption of the Site Allocations Document (see policy M5), the main purpose of the strategic resource areas is to define those areas of the county within which sites will be allocated and not areas where planning permission will necessarily be granted.

Appendix A



Appendix B

Oxfordshire County Council Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Monitoring Framework

The Council proposes that the following monitoring framework should be included in Section 7 of the Core Strategy in order that the implementation of the Plan can be effectively monitored and reported on (see suggested proposed modification to section 7 above).

Minerals Police	:y						
Policy	Strategic Objective (Minerals Planning Objectives section 3.4)	Indicator(s)	Responsibility for implementation	How	Timescale for implementation	Target	Trigger
M1 Recycled and secondary aggregates	i, v	 Permissions granted for recycled and secondary aggregates. Capacity of recycled and secondary aggregate supply facilities. Annual production of recycled and secondary aggregate. Proportion of total aggregate supply from secondary and recycled aggregates. Sites allocated for secondary and recycled aggregates in 	OCC Recycled and secondary aggregate operators	DM decisions Part 2: Site Allocations Document	On-going (annual monitoring)	To maintain capacity for recycled and secondary aggregate at least 0.926 million tonnes per year. Sites allocated/permission granted in accordance with policies W4, W5 and C1-C12.	 Processing capacity falling to below target capacity. Proportion of total aggregate supply from secondary and recycled aggregate changes ±10%. Sites for secondary and recycled aggregate allocated/permitted not in accordance with policies W4, W5 and C1-C12.

		Part 2: Site Allocations Document.					
M2 Provision for working aggregate minerals	ii, iii	 Permissions granted for working of landwon aggregate minerals. Permitted reserves for sharp sand and gravel, soft sand and crushed rock. Production capacity for sharp sand and gravel, soft sand and crushed rock. Landbanks of permitted reserves for sharp sand and gravel, soft sand and crushed rock. Annual sales of sharp sand and gravel, soft sand and crushed rock extracted in Oxfordshire. 	OCC Aggregate mineral producers	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	 Production capacity maintained at annual requirement rates. Landbanks maintained for at least: 7 years for sharp sand and gravel; 7 years for soft sand; and 10 years for crushed rock. 	 Production capacity less than annual requirement rate for three consecutive years. Permitted reserves falling to 10% above landbank target.
M3 Principal locations for working aggregate minerals	ii, iii	 Sites allocated for aggregate minerals. Production capacity for sharp sand and gravel, soft sand and crushed rock split between western 	OCC Mineral industry	Part 2 Site Allocations Document	Adoption of Part 2: Site Allocations Document On-going (annual monitoring)	 All sites allocated for aggregate mineral extraction to be within locations specified. Production 	 One site allocated that does not fall within the locations specified. Production capacity

		Oxfordshire (West Oxfordshire District and Cherwell District) and southern Oxfordshire (South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse.				capacity split 50:50 between western and Southern Oxfordshire by the end of the plan period.	increases proportionally in western Oxfordshire for two consecutive years. • Production capacity in southern Oxfordshire above 60%.
M4 Sites for working aggregate minerals	ii, iii	Sites allocated for aggregate minerals.	OCC Mineral industry	Part 2 Site Allocations Document	Adoption of Part 2 Site Allocations Document On-going (annual monitoring)	Sites allocated for aggregate mineral extraction to be in accordance with policy M4. Sites allocated to meet requirements for provision in Policy M2 (taking into account permissions granted).	 One site allocated that is not in accordance with policy M4. Allocated sites do not meet requirements for provision in Policy M2 (taking into account permissions granted).
M5 Working of aggregate minerals	ii, iii	 Permissions granted for working aggregate minerals – spatial distribution, quantity of resource. Permissions granted for borrow pits. 	OCC Mineral industry	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	Prior to adoption of Site Allocations Document, permissions granted to meet requirements for provision in Policy M2, and in accordance with policies M3, M4 and C1-C12.	Prior to adoption of Site Allocations Document, one permission granted that is not required to meet provision requirements in Policy M2 and/or not in accordance with policies M3, M4 and C1-C12.

		 Following adoption of Site Allocations Document, permissions granted only where requirements for provision in Policy M2 cannot be met from allocated sites, and in accordance with policies M3 and C1-C12. Permission only granted in other circumstances where this is required prior to development to prevent sterilisation of resource. 	Following adoption of Site Allocations Document, one application permitted outside allocated sites (unless it is to prevent sterilisation or because the requirement set out in policy M2 cannot be met from within the specific sites identified) and/or not in accordance with policies M3 and C1-C12.
		 Permission granted for borrow pits to meet the requirements set out in policy. 	Permission granted for borrow pit/s that do not meet the requirements of policy.
		 Working of ironstone only permitted where it 	Working of ironstone permitted contrary to policy.

						is in exchange for an agreed revocation of an equivalent existing permission.	
M6 Aggregate rail depots	iii, vii, xii	Permissions granted for new aggregate rail depots.	OCC Minerals industry District councils	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All permissions granted for new aggregate rail depots to have suitable access to lorry route and meet requirements in policies C1-C12.	One permission granted for new aggregate rail depot that does not have suitable access to lorry route and/or meet requirements in policies C1-C12.
M7 Non- aggregate mineral working	iv, v	Permissions granted for non-aggregate mineral working	OCC Mineral industry	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All applications granted planning permission meet relevant policy requirements.	One application permitted that does not meet relevant policy requirements.
M8 Safeguarding mineral resources	v, xi	 Number and area of applications granted for non-minerals development in mineral consultation areas, which sterilise mineral resources. Number and area of site allocations made by District Planning Authorities for non-minerals development in mineral consultation areas, which sterilise 	OCC District Councils Neighbourhood Development Authorities.	District Site Allocations District DM decisions OCC DM decisions Neighbourho od Plans	On-going (annual monitoring)	 No non-mineral applications permitted with an objection on mineral safeguarding grounds from OCC. No District site allocations made with an objection from OCC on safeguarding grounds. 	 One DC application approved with an objection from OCC on mineral safeguarding grounds. One application permitted by OCC leading to development which would sterilise mineral resources. One District site

	 Mineral resources. OCC objections to district development on safeguarding mineral resources grounds. Number of applications consulted on from District to OCC within a Mineral Consultation Area. 					allocation made with an objection from OCC on mineral safeguarding grounds.
afeguarding ineral frastructure ii, iii, iii, iv, v, vii, xii	 Number and type of safeguarded mineral infrastructure sites in Oxfordshire. Number of safeguarded aggregate rail depots in Oxfordshire. District development which is incompatible with or prejudicial to a safeguarded site. OCC objections to district development on safeguarding mineral infrastructure grounds. 	OCC District Councils Neighbourhood Development Authorities	OCC DM decisions District DM decisions District site allocations Neighbourho od Plans.	On-going (annual monitoring)	 No loss of a safeguarded mineral infrastructure site. No permissions issued by District which would lead to significant harm or prejudice to a safeguarded site. No District site allocations made which would sterilise mineral infrastructure. No decline in the 	 One safeguarded mineral infrastructure site lost to other development. One permission issued which would lead to significant harm or prejudice to a safeguarded site (permitted with an objection from OCC) One District site allocation made that would sterilise mineral infrastructure with objection from OCC. Reduction in

						number of safeguarded rail depots	number of safeguarded rail depots in Oxfordshire.
M10 Restoration of mineral workings	v, viii, ix, x	 Number of approved mineral restoration schemes. Proportion gain of biodiversity in restoration schemes. 	OCC Minerals industry Biodiversity partner organisations (including RSPB and BBOWT)	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	 All restoration plans for minerals applications approved take into account the considerations set out in policy. All applications approved with restoration leading to a net gain in biodiversity. 	 One application approved for which the restoration does not take into account the considerations set out in the policy. One application permitted including a restoration scheme which does not provide a net gain in biodiversity.

Waste Policy	Waste Policy									
Policy	Strategic Objective (Waste Planning Objective s section 3.7)	Indicator(s)	Responsibility for implementation	How	Timescale for implementati on	Target	Trigger			
W1 Oxfordshire waste to be managed	i, ii	 Total amounts of waste managed within Oxfordshire for the specified waste streams. Waste management capacity in Oxfordshire for the specified waste 	OCC Waste management industry	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	Oxfordshire's waste management capacity sufficient to meet the amount required in this policy.	Amount of waste managed within Oxfordshire falls or rises to +/- 20% of the figures set out in the policy, as updated by the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste			

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		streams.					Annual Monitoring Reports. • Waste management capacity falls below that required to manage the waste streams set out in the policy, as updated by the annual monitoring reports.
W2 Oxfordshire waste management targets	i, iii	 Quantity of waste managed in Oxfordshire. Quantity of Oxon Nonhaz waste to landfill. Quantity of Oxon waste to genuine MRF. Quantity of Oxon waste to EfW. Quantity of Oxon waste to land recovery and inert landfill. Recycled/secondary aggregate sales. Quantity of Oxon waste to composting/AD plants. 	OCC Waste management industry Environment Agency	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	Targets set out in the policy met.	Percentage of waste diverted from landfill lower than set out in the policy for three consecutive years.
W3 Provision of waste management capacity and	i, iii	 Total amounts of waste managed within Oxfordshire for the specified waste streams. 	OCC Waste management	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	Sufficient capacity to meet the additional capacity	Additional waste management capacity allocated below additional capacity

facilities required	Waste management capacity in Oxfordshire for the specified waste	industry	requirem this polic	policy for this waste management stream, as updated by Annual
	Permissions granted for reuse, recycling, composting/food waste treatment and treatment of residual waste.		recycling composition waste trouble and resimilation waste trouble in according to the composition acco	permitted for reuse, recycling, composting/food waste treatment and residual waste treatment that does not accord with relevant spatial strategy and policy
			Proposa treatmer residual recovered of neare appropring installation.	residual waste waste treatment permitted for which waste will not be recovered at one of the nearest
			Permiss residual treatmer impeding movemer waste up hierarch accorda policies and C1-	treatment capacity permitted above additional requirement set out in this policy for this waste y and in nce with W4, W5 treatment capacity permitted above additional requirement set out in this policy for this waste management stream, as updated by Annual Monitoring Report or

						Sites allocated for new facilities in the Part 2 Site Allocations Document allocated in accordance with this policy.	One site allocated not in accordance with relevant provisions of the policy.
W4 Locations for facilities to manage the principal waste streams	i, iii, iv	 Location of permissions for strategic, non-strategic and small scale waste management facilities/capacity. Location of sites allocated for strategic and non-strategic waste management facilities/capacity. 	OCC Waste management industry	DM decisions Allocation of specific sites in Part 2 Site Allocation s Document	Ongoing (annual monitoring) Adoption of Part 2 Site Allocations Document	Facilities to be permitted/allocated in accordance with the policy criteria (within the areas identified as appropriate for facilities of that scale in the policy or with access to the lorry route network in accordance with Policy C10).	One planning permission granted/site allocated for a facility which does not accord with the policy criteria (in areas within the areas identified as appropriate for facilities of that scale in the policy or with good access to the lorry route network).
W5 Siting of waste management facilities	i, viii, ix	 Number of approved facilities located on land given priority by the policy. Number of approved facilities located on green field land. Number of allocated sites located on land given priority by the policy. 	OCC Waste management facility	DM decisions	Ongoing (annual monitoring)	Facilities permitted/allocated in accordance with requirements of policy.	One planning permission granted/site allocated in not in accordance with relevant provisions of the policy.

W6 Landfill	i, vii	Number of allocated sites located on green field land Number of applications	OCC	DM	On-going	Priority given to	Permanent deposit of
W Lanum	I, VII	 Number of applications permitted for inert waste landfilling for restoration purposes. Number of applications permitted for the permanent deposit of waste to land, other than to landfill. Existing and permitted landfill capacity relative to estimated requirements. Number of developments permitted that would reduce non-hazardous landfill capacity. 	Waste management industry	decisions	(annual monitoring)	use of inert waste that cannot be recycled as infill material in quarry restoration – all inert waste disposal permissions at active or unrestored quarries, or where there would be an overall environmental benefit •No additional capacity for inert landfill permitted contrary to policy.	Permanent deposit of waste to land, other than to landfill permitted contrary to policy – where there would not be an overall environmental benefit Inert landfill capacity permitted contrary to policy. Permission granted for additional non-
						disposal of Oxfordshire's non- hazardous waste will be made at existing non- hazardous waste facilities.	additional non- hazardous landfill capacity.
W7 Management and disposal	ii	Number, type and capacity of existing and permitted hazardous	OCC	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	No reduction in total number of existing and	Any reduction in total number of existing and permitted hazardous

of hazardous waste		waste facilities in Oxfordshire.				permitted hazardous waste facilities.	waste facilities.
W8 Management of agricultural waste	ii	Number of applications approved for treatment of agricultural waste within a unit of agricultural production.	OCC	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	No applications approved contrary to the policy.	One application approved contrary to the policy.
W9 Management and disposal of radioactive waste	ii	 Permissions issued for management and disposal of low level and intermediate level radioactive waste. Specific provision made in Part 2 Site Allocations Document for treatment and storage of low level and intermediate level waste. 	OCC	DM Decisions Part 2 Site Allocation s Document	On-going (annual monitoring) Adoption of Part 2 Site Allocations Document	Proposals for treatment or storage of low level radioactive waste to contribute to management or disposal of Oxon waste and meet requirements of C1-C12.	One application approved for low level radioactive waste management that does not significantly contribute to meeting needs of Oxfordshire and wider needs can be adequately provided for elsewhere and/or does not meet requirements of C1-C12.
						 Proposals for management of intermediate radioactive waste to be at Harwell nuclear licensed site and meet requirements of C1-C12. Proposals meeting the needs of an area wider than Oxfordshire only 	One application approved for intermediate radioactive waste management that is not at Harwell licensed nuclear site and/or contributes to wider needs that could be adequately provided for elsewhere and/or does not meet requirements of C1-C12.

						where demonstrated the need cannot be adequately provided for elsewhere and meet requirements C1-C12. • Specific provision made in Part 2 Site Allocations in accordance with policy.	Less than one site allocated in Part 2 Site Allocations document that does not accord with the policy.
W10 Management and disposal of waste water and sewage sludge	ii, ix	Permissions granted for proposals for the management and disposal of waste water and sewage sludge.	occ	DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	• Applications granted for the management and disposal of waste water and sewage sludge planning permission is accordance with policy.	One application permitted contrary to the policy.
W11 Safeguarding waste management sites	i, ii	Decisions resulting in non-waste management uses on sites with permission for • operational waste sites with planning permission, • sites with planning permission for waste use not yet brought into operation. • vacant sites previously used for waste management uses or • sites allocated for waste	OCC District Councils	District DM decisions OCC DM decisions on Regulatio n 3 and Minerals developm ent	On-going (annual monitoring)	Refusal of applications with an objection from OCC, or contrary to the policy.	 One application permitted by District with an objection from OCC. One application permitted by OCC leading to development which would prevent or prejudice the use of a site safeguarded for waste use.

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Policy	Strategic Objective	Indicator(s)	Responsibility for implementation	How	Timescale for implementation	Target	Trigger
C1 Sustainable development	Minerals i, viii, xi Waste i, iv , ix	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	OCC	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All of approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C2 Climate change	Minerals vi Waste iii, vi	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All of approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C3 Flooding	Minerals vi	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All of approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C4 Water environment	Minerals viii Waste ix	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All of approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C5 Local environment,	Minerals viii	Permissions granted in	OCC	• DM decisions	On-going (annual	All approved applications	One application permitted which does not take into

amenity and economy	Waste ix	accordance with policy			monitoring)	taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	account relevant requirements of the policy.
C6 Agricultural land and soils	Minerals viii Waste ix	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C7 Biodiversity and geodiversity	Minerals viii, ix, x Waste ix,	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	OCC	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C8 Landscape	Minerals viii Waste ix	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C9 Historic environment and archaeology	Minerals viii Waste ix	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C10 Transport	Minerals vii Waste iv,	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All approved applications taking into account relevant	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy

						requirements of the policy.	
C11 Rights of way	Minerals viii, ix Waste ix	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)	All approved applications taking into account relevant requirements of the policy.	One application permitted which does not take into account relevant requirements of the policy.
C12 Green Belt	Minerals viii, ix Waste ix	Permissions granted in accordance with policy	occ	• DM decisions	On-going (annual monitoring)		