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## Executive Summary

- 1.1 This Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS) sets out all of the planning policy documents relating to minerals and waste matters that Oxfordshire County Council intends to prepare over the three-year period between October 2021 and the end of November 2024, and their production timetable.
- 1.2 It updates and replaces the previous Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (Eleventh Edition) January 2021.
- 1.3 Oxfordshire County Council are preparing the new Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan to provide up-to-date minerals and waste planning policies and proposals for the period to 2031.
- 1.4 The Minerals and Waste Local Plan is in two parts:
  - Part 1 – Core Strategy
  - Part 2 – Site Allocations
- 1.5 It will replace the existing [Minerals and Waste Local Plan](#) which was adopted in 1996.
- 1.6 The Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy was adopted on 12 September 2017 and needs to be reviewed by 2022.
- 1.7 After reviewing the findings of the Authority's Monitoring Report in 2018 and considering the requirements of the NPPF, alongside the current timetable having the adoption of the Site Allocations Document as after the Core Strategy Review, it is prudent to review the Core Strategy ahead of further work on the Minerals and Waste Local Plan Part 2: Site Allocations Document. This will ensure a sound evidence base for the Site Allocations Document and conformity with the Core Strategy and NPPF.
- 1.8 Following an initial review, in addition to preparing the Minerals and Waste Local Plan Part 2: Site Allocations Document, the County Council now also intends to review their adopted Core Strategy and undertake a Partial Update to the Core Strategy.
- 1.8 This Minerals and Waste Development Scheme sets out the documents to be produced, the reasons for these and the timetable for these Development Plan Documents production. A summary of the Timetable can be seen in Table 1.

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### Schedule and Programme of Proposed Local (Minerals and Waste) Development Documents

Table 1 Minerals and Waste Local Plan preparation timetable

*Stages in italics have already been completed.*

Document Title, Status and Geographic Area	Summary of Subject Matter	Chain of Conformity	Commence Preparation	Engagem ent & Consultation	Proposed Submission	Submit to Secretary of State	Independent Examination	Adoption	Review Expected
<b>Statement of Community Involvement</b> Non - Development Plan Document Covers whole of Oxfordshire	To set out the Council's policy on community involvement in local (minerals and waste) development documents and planning applications	Must be in conformity with legislative requirements	<i>June 2019</i>	<i>July – October 2019</i> (Reg 18)	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Adopted May 2020</i>	May 2025
<b>Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy</b> Development Plan Document Covers whole of Oxfordshire	To set out the Council's vision, objectives, spatial strategy and core policies for the supply of minerals and management of waste in Oxfordshire over the period to 2031	Must conform with legislative requirements and national planning policy	Review Commenced May 2021	Consultation on review Nov – Jan 2022	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Decision by Full Council on Review April 2022</i>	Dec 2024. Next review will be after the adoption of Site Allocations Document and Partial Update
<b>Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Partial Update to the Core Strategy</b> Development Plan Document Covers whole of Oxfordshire	To update those policies as necessary to ensure conformity with the NPPF.	Must conform with legislative requirements and national planning policy	May 2021	Scoping consultation Nov – Jan 2022 Further consultation June – Aug 2022 (Reg 18)	Feb 2023 – April 2023 (Reg 19)	Oct 2023 (Reg 22)	March – April 2024 (Reg 24)	November 2024 (Reg. 26)	Dec 2024 Following adoption along with the Core Strategy
<b>Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 –Site Allocations</b> Development Plan Document Covers whole of Oxfordshire	To make provision and allocate sites for minerals and waste development, in accordance with the Core Strategy; and provide the detailed policy framework for development management decisions	Must be in conformity with the Core Strategy	<i>Sept 2017</i>	<i>Issues and Options Aug – Oct 2018</i> <i>Preferred Options Jan - March 2020</i> Further consultation Jun – Aug 2022 (Reg 18)	Feb 2023 – April 2023 (Reg 19)	Oct 2023 (Reg 22)	March-April 2024 (Reg 24)	November 2024 (Reg. 26)	Dec 2024. Following adoption

# Introduction

## Purpose of the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Development Scheme

- 2.1 A Development Scheme is required under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended). This must set out (amongst other matters) the documents which, when prepared, will make up the Local Plan for the area. It must be made publicly available and kept up to date with progress on the preparation or review of the Local Plan.
- 2.2 Oxfordshire County Council are the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority, responsible for preparing the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan, and as such are therefore responsible for preparing the Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS).
- 2.3 The MWDS sets out:
- the local development documents that are to be prepared and which of these are to be development plan documents;
  - the subject matter to which each development plan documents is to relate;
  - the geographical area to which each development plan document is to relate;
  - and the timetable for the preparation and revision of the development plan documents;
  - It also includes information about minerals and waste planning policies for the county, and about the opportunities for people to be involved in the plan-making process.
- 2.4 In line with Governments Plan Making Guidance<sup>1</sup> a Local Development Scheme is expected to be reviewed and updated at least annually and may also need updating more frequently if there are any significant changes in the timescales or the Plans being prepared.
- 2.5 This revised Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (Twelfth Edition) October 2021 updates and replaces the January 2021 MWDS. This revised MWDS covers the period to December 2024.
- 2.6 The MWDS will be further reviewed to take account of progress on preparation of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan and monitoring as required and in accordance with Planning Legislation <sup>2</sup>and Plan Making Guidance.

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<sup>1</sup> [Plan Making Paragraph: 035 Reference ID: 61-035-20190723](#)

<sup>2</sup> Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, Localism Act 2011, the Neighbourhood Planning Act 2017, the revised National Planning Policy Framework (July 2021)

## Minerals and Waste Local Plan

- 3.1 The Minerals and Waste Local Plan, together with the district local plans and the joint strategic spatial plan (Oxfordshire Plan 2050) prepared by Oxfordshire's District Councils will comprise the statutory development plan for Oxfordshire. The development plan is the basis on which planning decisions are made.
- 3.2 The first Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan was adopted in 1996 and is out of date. A new plan is needed that is in line with current legislation and national planning policy and guides and meets the future minerals and waste development needs of Oxfordshire. The Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan will provide up-to-date minerals and waste planning policies and proposals for the period to 2031 replacing the 1996 Minerals and Waste Local Plan.
- 3.3 The Council took the decision in December 2014 (Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (Sixth Revision) 2014) to prepare the Minerals and Waste Local Plan in two parts: Core Strategy; and Site Allocations.
- 3.4 The new Minerals and Waste Local Plan will be in two parts
  - Part 1 – Core Strategy; and
  - Part 2 – Site Allocations.
- 3.5 Figure 1 sets out what constitutes the Minerals and Waste Local Plan and shows the relationship between the different Minerals and Waste Plan Documents and other supporting documents that are prepared.
- 3.6 The previous Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (Eleventh Edition) was approved in January 2021. Within this Eleventh Edition, the adoption of the Site Allocations Document timetabled the adoption of the Site Allocations Document (2023) after a review of the Core Strategy was due (2022).
- 3.7 In light of recent monitoring and evidence gathering, and to ensure the Site Allocations Document is based on a sound evidence base and in conformity with the Core Strategy, it is considered that a Core Strategy review and a Partial Update of the Core Strategy is necessary prior to the adoption of the Sites Allocations Document, and as such, it is also deemed sensible to carry out this work before the next round of consultation on the Site Allocations Document.
- 3.8 Therefore, this MWDS recognises this additional work and sets out the revised approach and the timetable for undertaking this work.

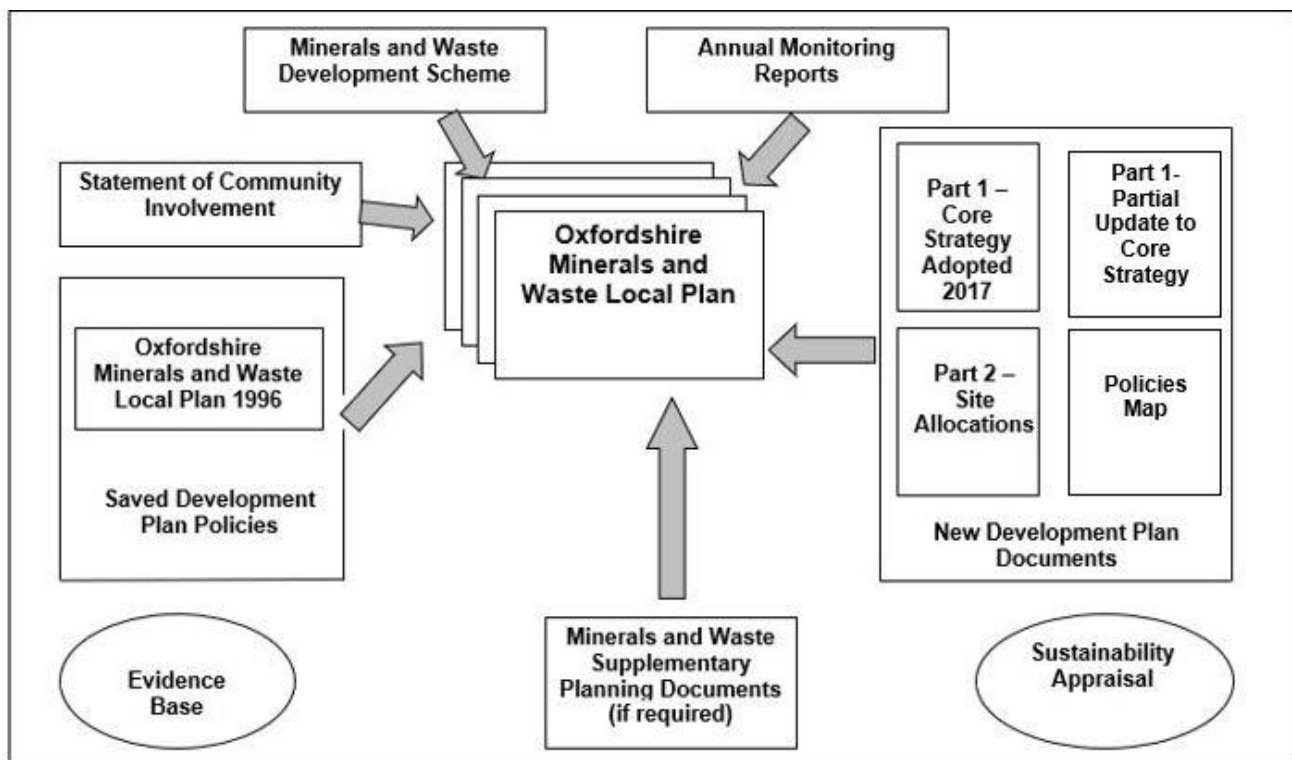


Figure 1 The Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan



# The Preparation of the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan

## Development Plan Documents

### Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy

**Title:** Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy

**Status:** Development Plan Document

**Coverage:** The whole of Oxfordshire

**Adopted:** 2017

**Review:** 2021

**Purpose:**

Set out the Council's vision, objectives, spatial strategy, core policies and implementation framework for the supply of minerals and management of waste in Oxfordshire over the period to the end of 2031. The spatial strategies for minerals and waste includes strategic locations for development, supported by criteria-based policies for the identification of specific sites and the consideration of planning applications for development. The spatial strategies are illustrated partly on a policies map (minerals) and partly on a key diagram (waste).

### ***Why is a Partial Review of the Core Strategy required?***

- 4.1 In light of recent monitoring and evidence gathering, and with the current timetable for the Site Allocations Document Examination in 2022 and the required Core Strategy review date of 2022, there is a high risk that all the work undertaken on the Site Allocations Document so far will be undermined by new evidence for the Core Strategy Review. It is prudent to undertake a Core Strategy Review before the next stage of the Site Allocations Document
- 4.2 This will ensure the Site Allocations Document is based on a sound evidence base and in conformity with the Core Strategy and the NPPF.
- 4.3 The initial Core Strategy Review has considered the performance of the 33 policies contained within the Core Strategy (10 Minerals, 11 Waste and 12 Common Core). It has explored the monitoring data and indicators for each policy against the monitoring targets and triggers. Where the information suggested there was an issue, this was investigated, and the initial Core Strategy Review concluded whether policies required an update or not.
- 4.4 The review and monitoring recognise that the Core Strategy is performing well and meeting its targets, except in one policy area where a trigger within our Authority Monitoring Report has been reached and the Plan is no longer in conformity with the NPPF.

- 4.5 A policy trigger has been reached in relation to Policy M2 and crushed rock provision. It is recognised that the current level of mineral provision supply over the Plan period will not provide a “steady and adequate supply of Mineral over the Plan Period” as our landbank is below the 10 years required by the NPPF.
- 4.6 Therefore, this Review has indicated that to ensure full compliance with the NPPF, a Partial Update of the Core Strategy is necessary to address this issue.
- 4.7 This revised MWDS sets out that we will undertake consultation on our initial Review of our Core Strategy to provide our communities and interested parties the opportunity to comment on our findings. This will be accompanied by Scoping for our Partial Update of the Core Strategy to ensure we are including all the areas that need reviewing within the Update.
- 4.8 Following this consultation, all responses received will be considered and our final Review of the Core Strategy will be brought before Full Council for their decision.
- 4.9 The consultation responses will also provide information and evidence for the Partial Update of the Core Strategy, once Full Council has made a decision on the Core Strategy Review.
- 4.10 The Partial Update of the Core Strategy will also inform the Site Allocations Document, therefore the additional Preferred Options for the Site Allocations Document is delayed allowing this Partial Update to progress. They will then be prepared in tandem through to adoption.
- 4.11 This MWDS (Twelfth Edition) reflects this Core Strategy Review and includes the Partial Update to the Core Strategy.

**Timetable for the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 Core Strategy Review and Partial Update of the Core Strategy**

Stage of Plan Preparation	Timescale	Description
Regulation 18 (Preparation)	May 2021 – Nov 2021	Review of Core Strategy Evidence gathering and document preparation.
Consultation (Reg 18)	Nov 2021- Jan 2022	Consultation on Core Strategy Review and initial scoping for Partial Update of Core Strategy. Evidence gathering.
Further Preparation	Jan – June 2022	Review all responses and update evidence base.
Core Strategy Review to Full Council Council Decision	April 2022	Oxfordshire County Council makes decision the Core Strategy Review
Further Consultation (Reg 18)	June- Aug 2022	Consultation on Partial Update to the Core Strategy and evidence.
Draft Plan Preparation	Aug 2022 - Feb 2023	Update evidence base and Partial Update to the Core Strategy revision.
Draft Plan Consultation (Reg 19)	Feb 2023 - April 2023	Consultation on Partial Update to the Core Strategy to be submitted to Secretary of State.
Submission (Reg 22)	Autumn 2023	Submission of Partial Update to the Core Strategy to Secretary of State.
Examination	Spring 2024	Planning Inspectorate reviews the Partial Update to the Core Strategy
Adoption	Winter 2024	Oxfordshire County Council adopts the Partial Update to the Core Strategy.

## Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations

**Title:** Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 Site Allocations Document

**Status:** Development Plan Document

**Coverage:** The whole of Oxfordshire

**Adopted:** In preparation

**Purpose:**

It will make provision and identify sites for minerals and waste management development in Oxfordshire over the period to the end of 2031, in accordance with the spatial strategy and criteria based policies in the Core Strategy; and provide the detailed policy framework for minerals and/or waste management development management decisions. In particular, it will allocate the sites required to provide the additional capacity for minerals supply and waste management as set out in the Core Strategy.

- 4.10 The Preparation of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations Document commenced in September 2017, following adoption of the Core Strategy.
- 4.11 A draft Site Assessment Methodology (including a renewed call for site nominations) and draft Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report (including the requirements for Strategic Environmental Assessment) were prepared and a consultation was carried out on these in January/February 2018. The comments received were considered and revised versions of these two documents were published in August 2018 alongside an Issues and Options consultation document.
- 4.12 All the comments received to the Issues and Options Consultation were considered and further evidence was gathered. This included a preliminary Sustainability Appraisal/Strategic Environmental Assessment, Site Assessments, Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) and Strategic Flood Risk Assessment.
- 4.13 In January to March 2020, a Preferred Options consultation took place, identifying a number of Mineral and Waste Sites to meet the mineral needs and waste requirements as set out in the Core Strategy.
- 4.14 After reviewing the responses received, it highlighted a number of areas that require further evidence gathering to ensure a sound plan. Further evidence required related to:
- Site Deliverability
  - Site Assessment process
  - Sustainability Appraisal
  - Habitats Regulation Assessment
  - Strategic Flood Risk Assessments

- 4.15 An additional Regulation 18 consultation was therefore identified as necessary to ensure sound evidence base at Examination.
- 4.16 In light of the Core Strategy review and the Partial Update of the Plan requirements, to ensure a sound evidence base, and for the Site Allocations Document to be in conformity with the Core Strategy, there now needs to be a slight delay to the next Preferred Options consultation, to ensure the most up to date information and evidence and ensure a sound Plan.

**Timetable for the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 Site Allocations Document**

Stage of Plan Preparation	Timescale	Description
Regulation 18 (Preparation)	Sept 2017 – Feb 2018	Call for Sites Review of Evidence gathering and document preparation Call for Sites Consultation on Draft Methodology and SA Scoping
Regulation 18 (Consultation)	Aug 2018 – Oct 2018	Call for Sites Consultation on Issues and Options, Draft Methodology and Initial SA
Further Preparation	Aug 2018 – Jan 2020	Review responses and update evidence base and prepare Draft Site Allocations Document
Further Consultation (Reg 18)	Jan – March 2020	Consultation Draft Site Allocations Document Preferred Options and supporting evidence
Further Preparation	March 2020 – June 2022	Review responses and update evidence base. All previous preferred site options returned to reasonable alternatives.
Further Consultation (Reg 18)	June 2022- Aug 2022	Additional consultation on Draft Site Allocations Document Preferred Options and supporting evidence
Draft Plan Preparation	Aug 2022 – Feb 2023	Update evidence base and any Plan revision
Draft Plan Consultation (Reg 19)	Feb 2023 - April 2023	Consultation on Draft Plan to be submitted to Secretary of State
Submission (Reg 22)	Autumn 2023	Submission of Plan to Secretary of State
Examination	Spring 2024	Planning Inspectorate reviews the Plan
Adoption	Winter 2024	Oxfordshire County Council adopts the Plan

## Policies Map

**Title:** Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Policies Map

**Status:** Development Plan Document

**Coverage:** The whole of Oxfordshire

**Integral Part of Development Plan Documents**

*The Policies Map will be amended and up-dated as required whenever new development plan documents with spatial policies are adopted*

**Purpose:**

Map showing graphic expression on an Ordnance Survey base of locationally specific policies and proposals in adopted development plan documents, in particular in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy and Part 2 – Site Allocations, and any relevant saved policies and proposals for minerals and waste. It will include spatial representation of policies and proposals for minerals and waste management development and of any other relevant policies such as environmental designations, constraints and safeguarded areas and sites.

## Other Local Plan Documents

### ***Minerals and Waste Statement of Community Involvement***

**Title:** Minerals and Waste Statement of Community Involvement

**Status:** Not a Development Plan Document

**Coverage:** The whole of Oxfordshire

**Adopted:** 2020

**Review:** 2025 *(or earlier if local issues, further legislative changes or additional guidance is issued)*

**Purpose:**

Sets out the Council's policy and approach for involving communities and stakeholders in the preparation, review and alteration of local (minerals and waste) development documents; and in planning applications that the County Council determines

### ***Supplementary Planning Documents***

- 4.17 Supplementary planning documents may be prepared as part of a plan, where they can help applicants make successful planning applications or aid infrastructure delivery. They are not development plan documents.

- 4.18 Currently there are no plans to produce any Supplementary Planning Documents as we concentrate on the Core Strategy Review and Site Allocations Document. We recognise that there may be a possible future need for them and any other Minerals and Waste documents will be kept under review.

### **Authority Monitoring Reports**

- 4.19 The County Council produces an Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Authority Monitoring Reports (AMR) and when approved they are published on the County Council website. The AMR sets out the implementation of the Minerals and Waste Development Scheme and the extent to which development plan policies are being achieved. They must cover a period of no more than 12 months and be publicly available. In accordance with Part 8 of the 'Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012' the County Council must make available any information collected as soon as possible after the information becomes available. The most recent report covers the period 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018
- 4.20 The County Council monitors the effectiveness of policies and proposals in achieving the vision, spatial strategy and objectives of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan; and assesses:
- whether objectives and targets in the Plan are being met or are on track to be met and, if not, the reasons why;
  - what impact the policies of the Plan are having on other targets, at national, sub-national or local level;
  - whether any policies need to be replaced or amended to meet sustainable development objectives;
  - what action should be taken if any policies need to be replaced or amended.
- 4.21 The AMRs do not form part of the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan, but they are essential for monitoring the preparation and implementation of the plan and for indicating when and how review and revision needs to be carried out. The Council uses the findings of monitoring to consider what, if any, changes need to be made to the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan, when such changes need to be brought forward, and whether any other documents need to be prepared. Any changes will be published in future Minerals and Waste Development Schemes.

### **Evidence Base**

- 4.22 The Minerals and Waste Local Plan requires a robust evidence base for the Plan, particularly in relation to minerals supply and demand in Oxfordshire and of waste management needs and capacity. As well as being identified in the Authority Monitoring Report this is also undertaken through Local Aggregate Assessments and periodic review of the Waste Needs

Assessment. These are part of the evidence base and are not development plan documents.

### **Local Aggregates Assessment**

- 4.23 The council is required to produce a Local Aggregate Assessment (LAA) and to update it annually. This includes forecasts of the demand for aggregates, an analysis of all aggregate supply options and the rate of future provision for land-won primary aggregates in Oxfordshire.

### **Plan Appraisal and Assessment**

- 4.24 The policies and proposals in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan will also be assessed for their contribution to the aims of sustainable development. Sustainability Appraisal of plans is required under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and strategic environmental assessment of plans is required under the European Directive on Strategic Environmental Assessment. The County Council is combining these in a single appraisal and assessment process, which is being carried out as an integral part of plan preparation.
- 4.25 A sustainability appraisal report was produced for the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy 2017. A further Sustainability Appraisal will be prepared for the Partial Update to the Core Strategy and for Part 2 – Site Allocations.
- 4.26 Minerals and waste development documents must also be subject to Habitats Regulations Assessment, under the European Habitats Directive, to assess the likely effects of plans, either alone or in combination with other plans and projects, on sites which have been designated as being of European importance for the habitat or species they support.
- 4.27 A Habitats Regulations Assessment of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy was undertaken and will be prepared for the Partial Update to the Core Strategy and will be for the Part 2 – Site Allocations Document as required
- 4.28 There are also a number of other evidence documents that will be produced to ensure a sound evidence base. These include Waste Needs Assessment, Strategic Flood Risk Assessments (SFRA), Site Assessments etc. They will be produced as and when required
- 4.29 Our evidence will be made available on our website.



## Relationship of Minerals and Waste Local Plan to other Policies, Plans, Strategies and other Authorities

- 5.1 The Minerals and Waste Local Plan will be prepared to have regard to and be consistent with national policy. The Government's National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published and came into effect in March 2012, with the latest revisions to the NPPF published in July 2021.
- 5.2 The Minerals and Waste Local Plan will also need to consider the National Planning Policy for Waste October 2014 and the Waste Management Plan 2021. It will also have regard to the national Planning Practice Guidance<sup>3</sup> and any other National Policy as prepared.
- 5.3 The Minerals and Waste Local Plan will be also prepared to have regard and consider other local policy, including the following (but is not exhaustive):
- Oxfordshire Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy<sup>4</sup>
  - Oxfordshire Energy Strategy<sup>5</sup>
  - Climate Action Framework<sup>6</sup>
  - Oxfordshire Local Transport Plan<sup>7</sup>
  - Oxfordshire Infrastructure Strategy<sup>8</sup>
  - Strategic Economic Plan for Oxfordshire<sup>9</sup>
  - Oxfordshire Local Industrial Strategy<sup>10</sup>
  - Oxfordshire Plan 2050<sup>11</sup>

### Duty to Cooperate

- 5.4 In preparing the updated Minerals and Waste Site Allocations Document and the Partial Review, we will also ensure we fulfil our Duty to Cooperate with:
- Districts Councils
  - Surrounding Minerals & Waste Planning Authorities;
  - Statutory consultees (e.g Natural England, Historic England and the Environment Agency etc)
  - Those organisations and communities that have a minerals or waste interest or that may be impacted by the proposals.
- 5.6 A report showing how the requirements to fulfil the duty to cooperate have been met will be prepared as part of the evidence base.
- 5.7 Where relevant, Statements of Common Ground will be prepared to address strategic cross-boundary issues.

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<sup>3</sup> [Plan-making - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/plan-making)

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/waste-and-recycling/OxfordshiresResourcesandWasteStrategy.pdf>

<sup>5</sup> [Oxfordshire Energy Strategy.pdf \(oxfordshirelep.com\)](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/Oxfordshire_Energy_Strategy.pdf)

<sup>6</sup> [2020 Climate Action Framework \(oxfordshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/2020_Climate_Action_Framework.pdf)

<sup>7</sup> [connecting\\_oxfordshire](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/connecting_oxfordshire)

<sup>8</sup> [oxis\\_stage2.pdf \(oxfordshiregrowthboard.org\)](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/oxis_stage2.pdf).

<sup>9</sup> [Our Strategic Economic Plan \(SEP\) | OxLEP \(oxfordshirelep.com\)](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/Our_Strategic_Economic_Plan_(SEP)_OxLEP.pdf)

<sup>10</sup> [Oxfordshire Local Industrial Strategy 0.pdf \(oxfordshirelep.com\)](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/Oxfordshire_Local_Industrial_Strategy_0.pdf)

<sup>11</sup> [Oxfordshire Plan 2050 - Planning together for a better Oxfordshire](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/Oxfordshire_Plan_2050.pdf)

## **Council Resources and Procedures**

### **Resources**

- 6.1 The programme for preparation of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations and Partial Update of the Core Strategy takes into account the availability of staff and financial resources relative to the work expected to be required. Whilst there are uncertainties with the plan preparation process, the County Council considers the programme in this scheme to be realistic, subject to no significant unforeseen circumstances arising.
- 6.2 The Plan will be prepared in-house by the Council's Minerals and Waste Policy Team of three officers (Minerals and Waste Local Plan Manager, Principal and Planning Policy Officer), under the direction of the Assistant Director Strategic Infrastructure and Planning and the Corporate Director for Environment & Place. The team will, as required, draw on: administrative and technical support from within the wider Service; specialist input, particularly on transport, landscape, ecology and archaeology, from elsewhere within the Council; and input on communications from within the Council.
- 6.3 Due to the resources required for the additional evidence gathering and to see the Plan through to adoption, long term external consultant support has been sought and appointed. They will assist with the technical background work required to prepare the Site Allocations Document, including the Sustainability Appraisal, Site Assessments, HRA and SFRA.
- 6.4 Additional external consultants and temporary staff will be used where necessary, in particular if required to provide specialist input that is not available within the Council. This may include support on: Local Aggregate Assessment; Waste Needs Assessment; Aggregates Monitoring Report and facilitation of stakeholder meetings.

### **Council Procedures and Reporting Protocols**

- 6.5 The Council has set up a Minerals and Waste Cabinet Advisory Group comprising County Council members, chaired by the Cabinet Member for Climate Change Delivery and Environment (who has responsibility for the Minerals and Waste Local Plan), supported by key officers. This Group will enable elected members to be engaged in and provide guidance to officers on preparation of the Plan, prior to formal decision making by Cabinet and full County Council.
- 6.6 Decisions at key stages in the preparation of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan will be made by the Cabinet Member for Climate Change Delivery and Environment Cabinet or full County Council, according to the requirements of legislation and Council procedure. The proposed submission document, submission and adoption stages of Plan documents will require full County Council resolution.

## **Potential Risks to the Programme**

- 6.7 The Plan preparation process has a number of risk elements, including:
- Staff Resources;
  - Funding;
  - Performance of supporting consultants;
  - The democratic decision-making process;
  - Capacity of other organisations to input to documents;
  - Capacity of the Planning Inspectorate and speed of the Examination;
  - Changes in legislation or national policy;
  - ‘Soundness’ of Plan documents;
  - Legal challenge to Plan preparation process.
- 6.8 The County Council has procedures in place to mitigate these risks.

## Existing (Saved) Minerals and Waste Planning

- 7.1 The policies in the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan, adopted in 1996, were automatically 'saved' for three years from 28 September 2004, ie until 27 September 2007. In September 2007 the Secretary of State issued a Direction listing 46 policies of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan which were saved beyond that date. Policies not listed in the Direction expired on 27 September 2007. 30 of the saved policies have now been replaced by policies in the adopted Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy. The remaining 16 saved policies are listed in Table 2. These will continue in force until replaced by new policies in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations, when this Plan is adopted. Until then they will form part of the development plan for Oxfordshire.
- 7.2 A schedule of all saved minerals and waste policies in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan 1996 stating when they were or are proposed to be replaced, and by which new development plan document, is set out in Annex 1.

Plan	Policy	Period Saved
Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan	SC3 – Sutton Courtenay: traffic routeing	All saved from 27.09.08 until replaced by new policies in development plan documents when adopted.
	SW1 – Sutton Wick: area for working	
	SW2 – Sutton Wick: access restriction	
	SW3 – Sutton Wick: access requirement	
	SW4 – Sutton Wick: rate of production	
	SW5 – Sutton Wick: after-uses	
	SH1 – Stanton Harcourt: areas for working	
	SH2 – Stanton Harcourt: Sutton bypass	
	SH3 – Stanton Harcourt: traffic routeing	
	SH4 – Stanton Harcourt: traffic routeing requirements	
	SH5 – Stanton Harcourt: after-uses	
	SH6 – Stanton Harcourt: after-use management	
	CY1 – Cassington – Yarnton: area for working	
	CY2 – Cassington – Yarnton: conveyors and haul routes	
	CY3 – Cassington – Yarnton: after-uses	
	CY4 – Cassington – Yarnton: pedestrian and cycle routes	

Table 2: Saved Policies that form part of the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan

## Annex 1

### Schedule of Saved Minerals and Waste Policies and their proposed replacement

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Policy No.	Subject of Policy	To be replaced / deleted	When	Replaced in which DPD
SD1	Sand and gravel landbanks	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SD2	Small sand and gravel extensions	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SD3	Limestone and chalk quarries	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SD4	Ironstone extraction	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SD5	Clay extraction	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SD7	Rail head sites	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SD9	Rail head safeguarding	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SD10	Mineral safeguarding	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SD11	Prior extraction	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
W2	Waste from elsewhere	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
W3	Recycling proposals	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
W4	Recycling in the countryside	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
W5	Screening waste plant etc	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
W6	Langford Lane site	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
W7	Landfill	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE2	Mineral working outside identified areas	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE3	Buffer zones	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE4	Groundwater	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE5	River Thames etc	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE7	Floodplain	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE8	Archaeological assessment	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE9	Archaeological remains	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE10	Woodland and forestry	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE11	Rights of way	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE12	Public access	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy

PE13	Restoration and after-use	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE14	Nature conservation	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PE18	Determining applications	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PB1	Processing plant etc	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
PB2	Removal of plant etc	Replaced	Replaced September 2017	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Core Strategy
SC3	Sutton Courtenay: traffic routing	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SW1	Sutton Wick: area for working	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SW2	Sutton Wick: access restriction	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SW3	Sutton Wick: access requirement	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SW4	Sutton Wick: rate of production	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SW5	Sutton Wick: after-uses	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SH1	Stanton Harcourt: areas for working	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SH2	Stanton Harcourt: Sutton bypass	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SH3	Stanton Harcourt: traffic routing	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SH4	Stanton Harcourt: traffic routing requirements	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SH5	Stanton Harcourt: after-uses	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
SH6	Stanton Harcourt: after-use management	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
CY1	Cassington – Yarnton: area for working	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
CY2	Cassington – Yarnton: conveyors and haul routes	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
CY3	Cassington – Yarnton: after-uses	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations
CY4	Cassington – Yarnton: pedestrian and cycle routes	To be replaced	<i>November 2024</i>	Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Part 2 – Site Allocations