

***Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Growth & Infrastructure - Thursday, 26 November 2009***

***Statement of Decision***

**Present:**

Cabinet Member for : Councillor

Officers: Peter Day, Minerals and Waste Policy Team Leader

**Also in attendance:**

Other Members:

**Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework:  
Annual Monitoring Report 2009**

**Documentation considered:**

Report Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework: Annual Monitoring Report 2009

*A copy is attached to the signed copy of this decision.*

**Summary of representations in person**

The Cabinet Member considered the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework Annual Monitoring Report 2009 which assessed and reported on the implementation of the local development scheme and the extent to which policies were being achieved.

Mr Day confirmed that an amendment would be made to the tables on page 21 of the report to reflect a calendar year. He also advised that paragraph 4.4.2 could lead to some confusion with regard to Stonehenge Farm as it was not an allocated site. An extra paragraph would be included to remove that anomaly.

Councillor Mathew thanked him for that clarification. He then referred to the question of confidentiality regarding landbank levels. This placed local communities at a great disadvantage when certain areas were promoted as potential sites and there appeared to be a disparity between the reserves quoted by operators and landbank figures.

Councillor Tilley considered that by maintaining confidentiality it appeared to give operators an unfair advantage.

Mr Day advised that figures were treated as confidential and the agreement of all operators would be required to change that. There was some concern that if that confidentiality were broken it could affect the working relationship between the County Council and the industry.

The Cabinet Member thanked the officers for their report and asked officers to let him and Councillor Mathew see a draft of the additional paragraph regarding Stonehenge Farm.

**Decision**

Having regard to the arguments and options set out in the documentation before me, the representations made to me and the further considerations set out above, I confirm my decisions on this matter as follows:

- (a) to approve the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework Annual Monitoring Report 2009 in the Annex to this report;
- (b) to authorise the Head of Sustainable Development to carry out any necessary final editing of the Annual Monitoring Report 2009 and to submit it to the Secretary of State and publish it on the County Council website in accordance with Section 35 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and Regulation 48 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004.

Signed .....  
Cabinet Member for

Date .....