

JWDPD Issues and Options 2012 Summary

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1. Introduction

1.1 Hull City Council and the East Riding of Yorkshire Council are writing a Joint Waste Management Development Plan Document (the Plan). This will identify:

- The waste issues that matter most.
- Our options as we plan for waste management facilities in Hull and the East Riding of Yorkshire.
- How we can do this sustainably.
- How many waste management facilities we will need up to 2028 and where they will go.
- What guidance we need so that we can make planning decisions for waste related planning applications.

1.2 The Plan will make waste management more sustainable by moving it up the Waste Hierarchy.



Figure 1.1 Waste Hierarchy Diagram

- 1.3** Both Councils are responsible for collecting, managing and disposing of municipal waste. We are also responsible for writing waste plans and have worked together on waste since 1996. This includes writing the Joint Waste Management Strategy. This is for municipal waste only. Joint working on waste happens elsewhere. This is because councils often rely on their neighbours to manage the waste from their area.

2. The Issues and Options Consultation Paper

- 2.1** This is a summary of the Plan's Issues and Options Consultation Paper (the Paper). The Paper is part of the first stage of writing the Plan. We have identified 6 tasks we need to look at to write a plan for waste management facilities. These are

- Identifying the Plan's aims and objectives.
- Forecasting how much and what types of waste we have to plan for.
- To identify the kinds of waste facilities which are needed.
- To identify the waste management guidelines we need.
- To set waste management standards for large developments.
- To use targets to monitor the Plan.

- 2.2** Below is a description of each of the 6 tasks. They are also in the Paper in more detail. For each task the Paper gives a short description and then lists options to address it.

3. Aims and Objectives

- 3.1** European, National and Regional guidance and our Core and Community Strategies set the overall aims of the Plan. In the consultation paper we say that we are trying to improve the sustainability of waste management. We also need to identify sites so that this can happen.
- 3.2** Both Councils have our own Local Development Frameworks, and the Waste Plan will be part of them. A local Development Framework is a set of planning documents we must produce.
- 3.3** Development Plan Documents need a good evidence base. The Issues and Options Consultation has an evidence base called "Volume 2: Background information to the further Issues and Options Consultation Paper". It contains information about:
- The Plan Area.

- Consultation.
- European, National and Regional laws and guidance.
- Local policies.
- Sites with Waste Management Licences.
- Waste Data.

3.4 It also has a Waste Management Glossary. A list of buildings where the background document can be looked at is Included in the consultation paper. The paper is on the internet at:

<http://hullcc-consult.limehouse.co.uk/portal/planning/jwdpd/>

3.5 We have ordered an independent Sustainability Appraisal. This makes sure the Plan is rational and sustainable. The appraisal also includes:

- A Strategic Environmental Assessment.
- An Equalities Impact Assessment.
- A Health Impact Assessment.
- A Habitat Regulations Assessment.

4. Amounts and types of waste

4.1 The Environment Agency gets a lot of figures from licensed waste operators about amounts of waste. As well as how many tonnes of waste, they also get details of:

- Types of waste.
- Where it comes from.
- Where it goes to, and
- What happens to it.

- 4.2** As well as past figures, the Plan must forecast how much waste of each type is likely to occur in the future. This is so we know how many facilities, and of what size and type we will need. Forecasting is difficult but necessary as we must make sure we plan enough suitable waste management facilities. The Paper looks at forecasting in detail.
- 4.3** Self-sufficiency is dealing with as much of your own waste as possible. As well as moving waste up the hierarchy, importing waste for re-use and reprocessing can create jobs. During the consultations we will think about how to balance self-sufficiency and importing waste.
- 4.4** The Consultation Paper lists the different waste types and types of waste management facilities. It also explains the processes used.

5. Site Identification

- 5.1** The Plan will identify enough sites that are suitable for waste management facilities. This includes:
- Deciding whether to keep waste facilities close together or to scatter them across the area.
 - If a few large facilities are better than a lot of smaller ones.
 - What we need to think about when we try to decide how suitable a site is. This includes if a site is likely to be developed, how close it is to wildlife and if it is near historical or other features that need special consideration.
- 5.2** The Consultation Paper contains a full list of the things we have to think about. We must plan for waste figures in the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS). This also shows that treatment and recovery facilities for municipal, commercial, and industrial waste will need to double by 2020. The Government has stated its intention to get rid of RSS. When it does, it is not clear what will happen to the things that the RSS included. The Government is developing a National Waste Management Plan which may address this. This is due in spring 2012.
- 5.3** As well as being a Government requirement, we need site identification to meet the targets in the Joint Sustainable Waste Management Strategy. We also need to make sure we have enough of the different sorts of facilities to deal with all the different types of waste. There will be a revision of the Joint Waste Strategy between the 7th February and 6th April 2012.

5.4 There are a number of sources where we can get details of possible sites for waste management from. These include:

- The Hull and East Riding Joint Waste Local Plan.
- Hull City Council / East Riding of Yorkshire Council Site Selection Study.
- Waste operators, landowners and others.

5.5 During this consultation we want waste firms, land owners, and the general public to tell us about possible sites for waste management use.

6. Guidelines for Waste Management Facilities

6.1 Even though our Core Strategies include a lot of guidelines, some waste policies will still be needed. The Consultation Paper has details of possible policy subjects. These include:

- Safeguarding sites from non-waste development.
- Limiting landfill capacity.
- Good design of facilities.
- How much a developer must contribute and others.

7. Large Construction Developments

7.1 All plans for large construction developments must make good use of resources. Government guidance means that the design and layout of a new development is able to help with sustainable waste management. They must also include waste management facilities in their design. We need to make sure that new developments include enough well designed waste management facilities.

8. Delivery

8.1 We will monitor the Plan. If we are not meeting the targets, we will show what we must do to meet them. We will use our Annual Monitoring Reports to monitor it. We already check a lot of the waste indicators as part of our management of municipal waste. The Environment Agency checks Indicators for commercial and industrial waste. The Plan must also consider national targets and indicators.

9. Consultation

- 9.1** We want your views and ideas on the Consultation Paper. A six week consultation is taking place between the 7th February and the 6th April 2012. Full details are in the Paper. Along with the Consultation Paper is a Site Request Form. If you know about any sites which may be suitable for waste facilities, please complete the form and return it to us. There is also a questionnaire. This asks if we have identified and understood the Issues correctly, and looks for suggestions for options. If you can, please fill in the questionnaire either on the internet at: <http://hullcc-consult.limehouse.co.uk/portal/planning/jwdpd/> or in writing. Your views and answers are welcome. You don't have to answer all of the questions. We are carrying out the consultation to meet national guidance and to comply with our Statements of Community Involvement.
- 9.2** If you want, you can email us (planning.policy@hullcc.gov.uk) or write to us with your thoughts and comments. Please send them (Freepost – no stamp required) to:
FREEPOST RSJC-BUBU-ERTY
F.A.O. Planning Policy
Hull City Council
Kingston House
Bond Street
Hull, HU1 3ER

10. What next?

- 10.1** We will look at the responses after the consultation and use them to write another document. This will include some possible options. We will consult again to see which options people like best. After this, we will write a final document and send the Secretary of State a copy. We hope to adopt the Plan in March 2014.

Please remember to let us have your views!