

APPENDIX H

Outcomes of September meetings of the West of England Joint Scrutiny Committee, Planning, Housing & Communities Board, Partnership Board and Member workshops in individual Councils.

1.1 The Joint Waste Core Strategy (JWCS) Draft Submission Document has been developed and amended progressively in the light of Public Consultation and responses to the Progress Update.

1.2 Further changes made or responses to, officer and Member comments made in September 2009, seeking changes to the draft Joint Waste Core Strategy Submission Document are listed in the table below. These changes are points of clarification and do not change the thrust of the policies proposed in the draft JWCS.

1.3 The Sustainability Appraisal (SA) and the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) have informed the development of the JWCS. Changes recommended by the SA and SFRA that have recently developed the draft JWCS, are also included in the table below.

| | Issue | Response | Change within JWCS at |
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| 1 | General Definition of residual waste upfront in the document requested. | Para 1.2.1 includes: “which will further extract value from waste that has not been already separated for recycling and composting”. | Para 1.2.1 |
| 2 | General The JWCS should be taken as a whole in order to understand the relationship between its policies and the other policies of the Local Development Frameworks. | -Supportive text at para 5.6.5 has been revised to read: “The JWCS will provide the spatial dimension for waste management that will need to be read alongside other strategies in the West of England. In preparation of the JWCS, other Local Development Plans have been considered to ensure a cohesive policy approach across the sub-region.” -Para 6.1.6 also now includes “The JWCS should be read as a whole”. | Para 5.6.5 Para 6.1.6 |
| 3 | General Policies should not be too permissive. e.g. “planning permission will be granted” could read “Land will be allocated”. | Planning Guidance requires a Core Strategy to include positive policies. Advice from PINS has confirmed this. ‘Land will be allocated’ does not fit the other criteria in Policy 5 (Urban ext and Strategic Areas) and is not appropriate to use. Planning permissions will be granted is now accompanied in policy by ‘subject to development management policies’. | -Policy 2 -Policy 3 -Policy 4 -Policy 5 -Policy 8 |

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| 4 | General Urban Extensions- Does text relating to urban extensions cover possible extensions in Yate? | Text at para 6.8.14 is clear about any adopted urban extension required by the final RSS. This would include any urban extension at Yate. | No change made |
| 5 | General Fullers Earth Works –This site is not in Odd Down as currently stated. | Site is now listed as: Former Fullers Earth Work, Fosseyway, B&NES. | -Policy 5 -Key Development Criteria -Revised Detailed Site Assessment |
| 6 | Policy 1 The £300,000 threshold for requiring a Waste Audit was considered difficult to quantify and assess. S.Glos have a threshold of 0.5 ha. Can Policy 1 be revised to reflect this? | Supportive text to Policy 1 has been revised to include a requirement that ‘major development’ proposals are accompanied by a Waste Audit. ‘Major development’ is defined in para 6.2.4 as being 0.5 ha for residential and 1 ha for other uses. This definition conforms with Planning Guidance. The term ‘major development’ is included at Policy 1. | -Para 6.2.4 -Policy 1 |
| 7 | Policy 3 Clarification required on whether point 2 should read “and”? What is the definition of “and cartilages”? | The wording is taken directly from PPS10 for clarity. Policy 3 now includes “PDL or redundant agricultural and forestry buildings and their cartilages”. There is no official definition of curtilages for this purpose the definition is boundary. For clarity small scale has been removed as this is not easily defined. | Policy 3 |
| 8 | Policy 5 Articulate Spatial Strategy and include capacities at Policy 5. | Text in Policy 5 has been revised to include indicative capacities that reflect the zones on the map at figure 6.1. | Policy 5 |
| 9 | Policy 7 Can this be articulated more clearly? | Policy 7 seeks to provide scope for applications to come forward for residual waste treatment facilities on non-allocated sites, providing they can meet the other criteria in the policies of the JWCS. | No change made |

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| 10 | Policy 11 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment advised clarification about flood risk specific to hazardous waste facilities and waste officers required clarification of 'land liable to flood'. | Textual changes made to clarify vulnerability requirements specific to hazardous waste is included at supportive text para 7.1.4. Policy 11 now includes: "Active flood plain (Flood Zone 3b) or areas where the level of risk is considered to be unsuitable for the type (vulnerability classification) of development proposed"; "The level of flood risk experienced by neighbouring land and property". | -Para 7.1.4 -Policy 11 |
| 11 | Policy 12 The Sustainability Appraisal (SA) advised inclusion of groundwater in policy 12 item 6. | Text included at Policy 12 "groundwater and surface water" | Policy 12 |
| 12 | Policy 12 Members queried 'vicinity' at point 13, and requested words were able to be defined. | Vicinity is an all encompassing phrase to acknowledge wider traffic impacts both on and off site. It is not appropriate to define a boundary as it varies by application. | No change made |
| 13 | Policy 12 Officers required decommissioning to be included alongside "scope for limiting duration of use" at point 20 of Policy 12. | Text included at Policy 12 "and where relevant, plans for appropriate site decommissioning". | Policy 12 |
| 14 | Policy 13 suggested re-wording on exceptions to the safeguarding of sites. | Text included at Policy 13 to include "except where suitable facilities are to be provided as part of an authority approved strategy". | Policy 13 |
| 15 | Monitoring and implementation Section Request for phasing to be shown in two time frames short and medium/long-term. | PPS12 requires that we demonstrate deliverability and how/when facilities will be delivered. For this reason we have set out indicative phasing of sites across three time periods for clarity. It would not be appropriate to join medium and long term together as this would not provide sufficient clarity. However, Figure 8.1 has been revised to reflect Zones identified at Policy 5 and figure 6.1 rather than Authority or place names. | Figure 8.1 Phasing of Spatial Strategy. |

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| 16 | Monitoring Framework SFRA recommended inclusion of flood risk monitoring information. | Indicators under Policy 11 now include: "Bi-annual review of evolving national, regional and local flood risk and climate change advances (policy and documentation) and where appropriate updates to be made to reflect the evolution of understanding in this context." | Monitoring framework under policy 11. |
| 17 | Monitoring Framework SA recommended inclusion of monitoring information on modes of transporting waste. | Indicators under Policy 12 now include: "Number of applications permitted which incorporate the transportation of waste by modes other than road". | Monitoring framework policy 12. |
| 18 | Monitoring Framework SA advised monitoring of greenhouse gas emissions (links to Policy 12 point 4). | Indicators under Policy 12 now include: "Estimated greenhouse gas emissions from permitted waste facilities and number of application permitted with greenhouse gas mitigation measures". | Monitoring framework under policy 12. |
| 19 | Monitoring Framework SA advised monitoring of water consumption requirements of facilities. | Indicators under Policy 12 now include: "Water consumption requirements of facilities permitted". | Monitoring framework under policy 12. |
| 20 | Superceded Policies B&NES superceded policies WM2 should read WM4. | Amended. | Change made in superceded policies for B&NES. |
| 21 | Appendices Re-formatted appendices for clarity. | Appendix 1-Key Development Criteria Appendix 2- Maps of Strategic Areas at Yate and Weston-super-Mare. Appendix 3- Superceded policies Appendix 4 - Glossary | Appendices. |
| 22 | Glossary | JWCS definition revised to read: "A planning policy document that sets out the strategic spatial planning policy for the provision of waste management infrastructure across the plan area". | Glossary. |