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....to the 11th Gloucestershire Minerals and Waste Newsletter. The newsletter is intended to provide a brief update on the progress being made by Gloucestershire County Council in preparing its various minerals and waste planning documents.

If you have responded to any of our consultations you will have been added to our database. This will ensure that you continue to receive important updates on mineral and waste planning in Gloucestershire.

However, if you are no longer interested please print off and fill in the update form provided at the back of this newsletter and return to us at the address provided. We will then take you off our mailing list and you will receive no further information on minerals and waste planning from the County Council. You can also use the update form to notify us of any address changes or changes within your organisation.

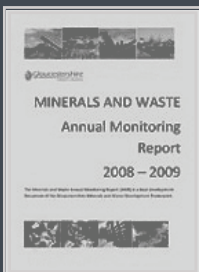
Updates:

AMR

The County Council submitted its 2008/2009 Minerals and Waste Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) to the Secretary of State in December 2009. The report contains annually collected minerals and waste data within Gloucestershire and is available to download from:

www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/amr

The 2009/2010 Annual Monitoring Report will be submitted to the Secretary of State in December 2010 and will be available from the above web link.



Waste Core Strategy - Site Options Consultation Update

Consultation on site options for the Gloucestershire Waste Core Strategy (WCS) took place over an 8-week period between 5th October and 30th November 2009. The purpose of the consultation was to obtain stakeholder views on 13 sites identified as potential strategic locations for waste management.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the consultation by coming along to one of our roadshows and/or responding to the consultation questionnaire. Your comments have played an important role in determining the content of the publication Waste Core Strategy December 2010.

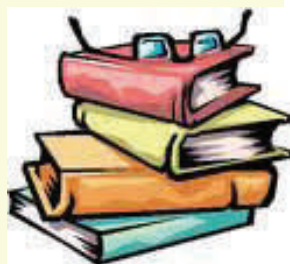
A summary report of the consultation including who and how many people responded and the main issues that were raised, is available alongside the publication WCS. The summary report includes the exhibition material that was made available at the roadshows.

A further more detailed report including the Council's response to each comment is also available alongside the publication Waste Core Strategy.

Waste Core Strategy - Publication & Submission

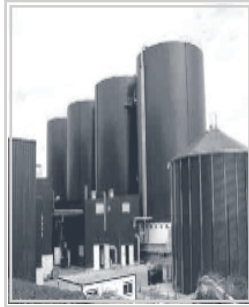
After several years of ongoing stakeholder engagement the Council formally published its Waste Core Strategy (WCS) for Gloucestershire in December 2010 for a period of 8-weeks during which time representations are invited on the strategy and whether it meets the Government's three tests of soundness (i.e. is it justified, effective and consistent with national policy). Comments will also be invited on whether the WCS is legally compliant i.e. has been subject to Sustainability Appraisal, prepared in accordance with the development scheme, has regard to the Gloucestershire Community Strategy etc.

When the 8-week period for representations closes in early February 2011 we will collate and summarise the main issues raised and then formally 'submit' the WCS to the Secretary of State in April 2011 after which time there will be an independent examination leading to adoption of the strategy in early 2012.



Minerals and Waste Development Scheme (MWDS) Update

The MWDS is our timetable setting out what documents will be available for comment and when. For various reasons our previous MWDS (October 2008) has had to be amended. In particular, the final stages of the Waste Core Strategy has been aligned with the timescale of the Council's Residual Waste Procurement Project and also to fit in with the timing of Cabinet and Council meetings. The sub-regional apportionment exercise has also caused delays to the Minerals Core Strategy.



The new timetable can be downloaded from:

www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/mwds

To summarise, the key dates are now as follows:

- Waste Core Strategy Publication December 2010
- Waste Core Strategy Submission expected April 2011
- Waste Core Strategy Examination hearings expected September 2011
- Waste Core Strategy Adoption expected January 2012
- Minerals Core Strategy Site Options Consultation November 2011
- Minerals Core Strategy Publication August 2012
- Minerals Core Strategy Submission January 2013

Other News...

Since newsletter 10, the Government has continued the programme for replacement of Planning Policy Guidance Notes (PPG) and Planning Policy Statements (PPS). Several new documents have been published and/or consulted upon, for example:

- ***PPS 5: Planning for the Historic Environment: Which replaces PPS15 & PPS16***
- ***PPS25 supplement: Development and Coastal Change: PPS25 supplement published 9 March 2010 and replaced PPG20: Coastal Planning (1992) except paragraphs 2.9, 2.10 and 3.9 (see PPS9). See PPS25.***
- ***Draft Planning Policy Statement: Planning for a Natural and Healthy Environment — The Department has published a consultation on proposed planning policy on: biodiversity; geological conservation; landscape and soil protection; heritage coastline; open space; sport; recreation; green infrastructure; and floodlighting of sports and recreational facilities.***

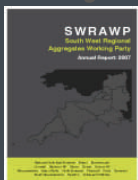
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- Consultation on a Planning Policy Statement: Planning for a Low Carbon Future in a Changing Climate — This consultation sought views on the proposal to combine and update existing planning policy on climate change and renewable energy from two documents into one. Building from current approaches, the new policy reflects the latest legislative and policy context. The Planning Policy Statement (PPS) will be a supplement to Planning Policy Statement 1: Delivering Sustainable Development (PPS1).*

For further and more detailed information please refer to the web link below:

www.communities.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planningsystem/planningpolicy/planningpolicystatements

Coming soon...



The latest report from the South West Regional Aggregates Working Party (SWRAWP) 2008 is now going through the final approval process. We aim to update on this in the next newsletter.

Minerals Apportionment

We reported in Newsletter 10 that the Government had produced a Draft Revised National and Regional Guidelines for Aggregates. Provision in England: 2005–2020. These have now been



published and work has been undertaken on the sub-regional apportionment of the South West figures. Following the disbanding of the Regional Planning Bodies, Government has asked the South West Regional Aggregates Working Party (SWRAWP) to advise on the process. Therefore, the SWRAWP made a recommendation to Government in consultation with the Mineral Planning Authorities. The SWRAWP has written to Government with the recommendation and are awaiting a response.

Until such time this work is finalised the previous apportionment figures are still valid. However, it should be noted that the overall land bank for Gloucestershire is still below the 7 year land bank indicated for sand and gravel, very similar to the declining reserves position for sand and gravel nationally. Therefore, there will be a need for additional reserves to contribute towards the land bank for future supply of construction materials.



Minerals 'Call for Sites' Exercise

In Gloucestershire it is anticipated that the unworked 'preferred areas' of sand and gravel and crushed rock identified in the adopted Minerals Local Plan (2003) will be insufficient to meet the new requirement from the National & Regional guidelines. Therefore during 2010 we contacted known operators, agents and landowners with mineral interests to invite them to express any potential land options for strategic sites for sand and gravel and crushed rock only. We wish to add to that process through this newsletter.

Over the next few months we will be evaluating all of the sites put forward and any sites which we consider suitable will be consulted upon in 2011. If anyone does have a particular site which they wish to promote who have not already done so, please either email m-wplans@gloucestershire.gov.uk or phone 01452 425668 to speak to a member of the team.



Our Database Needs Refreshing So You Can Stay Informed



We maintain an ever-expanding database of parties who have expressed an interest in minerals and waste issues within Gloucestershire.

Although we make all of our publications and consultations available on our website, we use the database to ensure that people can stay up-to-date without needing to keep checking the web. **It is very important to us that anyone who wishes to participate in our consultation process, is able to do so.**

- **If you are on our database** and have moved recently, or are about to move, please keep us up-to-date so that you do not miss out on anything important.
- Although we want to consult as many people as possible, we do not wish to cause annoyance, or waste taxpayers' money, by writing to people who no longer wish to be contacted. If you would like to be removed from our database, then please let us know.
- **If you wish to be added to our database** so that you can receive future newsletters, or notification of important events such as public consultations, please let us know.

To update us with your details, simply print off and fill in the form overleaf then post to us at the address below. Alternatively, you can contact us by email (see below).

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Please select from the options below and then send to the address overleaf

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Option 1

I no longer wish to receive any M&W updates or participate in M&W consultations. *(Please provide your details below in order for them to be removed from our database)*

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Option 2

I have not previously received any M&W updates or participated in M&W consultations. I would like to add my details to your database.

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Option 3

I have recently changed my contact details and would like to update them on your database.

Title:	First Name:	Last Name:
Email Address (optional):		
Telephone Number (optional):		
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Postcode:		

To accompany Option 3 only:

Previous contact details: