

**New Forest National Park Authority
Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy – applicable to the area of the
New Forest National Park within Wiltshire**

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Representations Statement (Regulation 31 Statement)

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 On 1 April 2006 the New Forest National Park Authority became the Minerals and Waste Authority for the whole of the National Park. At the meeting of the New Forest National Park Authority on 17 January 2006 it was agreed that the joint Minerals and Waste Core Strategy (the Submitted Draft) already prepared by Hampshire County Council, and Portsmouth and Southampton City Councils should be applied to the part of the National Park that lies within Wiltshire. This area is currently covered by the adopted Wiltshire and Swindon Minerals Local Plan and the Wiltshire and Swindon Waste Local Plan.
- 1.2 This Statement is required under Regulation 31 to set out the representations received on the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy DPD submission, as it applies to the area of the New Forest National Park within Wiltshire. It fulfils the requirements of Regulation 31 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, which requires that as soon as reasonably practicable after receiving a representation a local planning authority must send to the Secretary of State:
 - (i) A statement of the total number of representations made;
 - (ii) Copies of the representations;
 - (iii) A summary of the main issues raised in the representations, or
 - (iv) A statement that no representations have been made.
- 1.3 This statement should be read in conjunction with the National Park Authority's Consultation Statement (October 2006).

2. Stakeholder Consultation – Regulation 28 Stage

- 2.1 Following the Pre-Submission consultation between 28 August and 9 October 2006, the Authority considered the responses received. These are set out in the Authority's Consultation Statement, which was published alongside the Submission draft Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy and Addendum in October 2006. The Core Strategy was formally submitted to the Secretary of State on 23 October 2006 and there followed the statutory six week consultation period from Wednesday 25 October to Wednesday 6 December 2006.
- 2.2 In accordance with the 2004 Regulations, the publication of the Submission Draft Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy, as applicable to the area of the National Park within Wiltshire, was advertised in the local press - the Romsey Advertiser (a weekly publication whose circulation covers the northern part of the Park) on Friday 27 October; and the Salisbury Journal (a weekly publication covering South Wiltshire and

the northern part of the Park) on Thursday 2 November 2006 (these are attached at Annex 1). The National Park Authority's website was also updated to include a link to the Submission Draft Minerals and Waste Core Strategy; the public notice; the consultation response form; and the schedule of representations received during the Regulation 26 consultation stage. A draft copy of the National Park Authority's local Development Scheme was also included on the website for information. The website advised readers of the six week consultation and provided an email link for consultation responses.

- 2.3 Copies of the Submission draft Minerals and Waste Core Strategy and related technical documents were made available at the Authority's main office and also at the Planning Department of Salisbury District Council.

3. Outcome of the Regulation 28 Consultation

- 3.1 The National Park Authority has received representations from 16 bodies to the submission version of the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy (set out below). A number of the bodies making representations did not use the preferred response form.

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| ▪ South East England Regional Assembly | ▪ Southern Water |
| ▪ South West England Regional Assembly | ▪ New Forest District Council |
| ▪ Test Valley Borough Council | ▪ Natural England |
| ▪ Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust | ▪ Highways Agency |
| ▪ Government Office for the South East | ▪ Wiltshire County Council |
| ▪ Government Office for the South West | ▪ Hale Parish Council |
| ▪ Chartered Institute of Wastes Management | ▪ Environment Agency |
| ▪ Bransgore Parish Council | |

- 3.2 The representations received have been published on the Authority's website – www.newforestnpa.gov.uk. The following pages of this Regulation 31 Statement set out in more detail the responses received to the Submission draft Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy, as it applies to the area of the National Park within Wiltshire, and whether the respondent supports or objects to the Statement. None of the respondents stated their preference to attend an examination. A number stated they would make any further representations via written representations, with the rest stating no preference. The following table also includes the Authority's response. All of the representations received are attached at Annex 2.

- 3.3 Of the 52 representations received, 34 considered the Submission draft Minerals and Waste Core Strategy to be sound. 12 representations made by 4 respondents (the Government Office for the South East, the

Government Office for the South West, Wiltshire County Council, and the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust) considered the Core Strategy document to be unsound. A further 7 respondents did not have any comments to make and therefore did not identify whether they considered the document sound or unsound.

- 3.4 With regard to the 12 representations that consider the Core Strategy to be unsound, 5 raise issues under the procedural tests (Tests i and ii), with 1 on the issue of conformity (Test iv) and a further 5 on the issue of coherence, consistency and effectiveness (Test vii). Additional comments and representations of support were received on a wide range of policies.
- 3.5 The representations received have been made available at the same locations as the Submitted Minerals and Waste Core Strategy was made available for inspection.

4. Consultation responses and Authority's response

Ref number	Date received	Organisation	Name	Test of Soundness	Policy / Para	Sound / Unsound	Consultation Comment (Summary)	National Park Authority Response
001/100	30/10/06	South East England Regional Assembly, Guildford	Sue Janota				It is considered that the amendments proposed do not raise any new strategic issues from the submission draft of the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy. As a result, the Assembly does not wish to make any representations.	Comments noted. Welcome the statement that the amendments do not raise any new strategic issues from the submission draft of the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy.
002/101	06/12/06	South West England Regional Assembly, Taunton	Jane Macey				The South West England Regional Assembly has noted the contents and has no points to raise.	Comments noted.
003/102	13/11/06	Chartered Institution of Wastes Management, Northampton	Chris Murphy				No specific comment to make on the document received, but wish to receive similar documents to be logged in their library.	Comments noted.
S/004/103	27/11/06	Hale Parish Council	Valerie Marlow			S	Consider the Strategy to be sound.	Comments noted and support welcomed.
005/104	20/11/06	Test Valley Borough Council, Romsey	Selina Crocombe				Test Valley Borough Council has no comments to make.	Comments noted.
S/S7G/006/105	04/12/06	Southern Water, Worthing	Chris Kneale		Policy S7G / Para 19.17	S	Support policy S7g and paragraph 19.17 that recognise the potential requirement for the construction of additional capacity at sewage treatment works or the provision of new facilities.	Comments noted and support welcomed.
S/S14/006/10	04/12/06	Southern Water,	Chris Kneale		Policy S14 /	S	Support policy S14 and paragraph 22.3 which safeguard existing	Comments noted and support welcomed.

6		Worthing			Para 22.3		works. Additional wastewater capacity within the New Forest National Park can be met through extensions to existing works.	
S/DC.1 0/006/1 07	04/12/0 6	Southern Water, Worthing	Chris Kneale		Policy DC10 / Para 25.41	S	Protection of water resources from pollution is essential and therefore support policy DC10 and paragraph 25.41.	Comments noted and support welcomed.
1/007/1 08	05/12/0 6	Government Office for the South West, Bristol	Louise Harrison	1		US	The Authority's LDS has not been formally adopted and does not appear on the Authority's website. There is no clear reference in the Hampshire Minerals and Waste adopted LDS that the Wiltshire area will be dealt with at a later date. The approach taken by the NPA is not in accordance with an adopted LDS, therefore consider the document to be unsound.	The extension of the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Strategy into the Wiltshire part of the New Forest National Park is co-ordinated by the National Park Authority, who are the sole planning authority for this area of land. This is the reason that there is no clear reference in the Hampshire Minerals and Waste adopted LDS. The Minerals and Waste 'catch up' Wiltshire consultation is outlined in the National Park Authority's draft LDS. The LDS has remained as a draft as the Authority has not finalised other elements of its LDS. This draft Authority LDS was put on the Authority's website in October in time for the Regulation 28 Consultation period, and shortly after was informally submitted to the Government Office for the South East for comment (a response is still awaited). One of the roles of the LDS is to inform the public when consultation documents will be produced. By writing to every address within the Wiltshire area of the National Park, the Authority considers this role to have been met through an alternative means to the LDS.

2/007/1 09	05/12/0 6	Government Office for the South West, Bristol	Louise Harrison	2		US	<p>PPS12 states that the community should be involved throughout the process of preparing local development documents. The document fails to provide sufficient time for the community in Wiltshire to be fully engaged in the process. The six week consultation period is inadequate and runs contrary to the intentions of the new planning system.</p>	<p>Every address within the Wiltshire area of the National Park has been contacted and invited to be involved in the consultation process. Communities were given the statutory six week period in accordance with the 2004 Regulations. This approach mirrors the procedures adopted by Hampshire County Council in their consultation. All 3 of the relevant parishes, Salisbury District Council and Wiltshire County Council were consulted as 'adjacent authorities' by Hampshire County Council during their earlier consultation of the Hampshire area. Therefore, each will already have seen the document and had the opportunity to comment. It is therefore not a new document to many bodies, and the Authority considers that sufficient time has been available for the Wiltshire communities to be engaged in the process. The Core Strategy document also included text stating that the National Park Authority were intending to undertake additional consultation to integrate the Wiltshire part of the National Park into the Hampshire Core Strategy. It should also be noted that Wiltshire CC were a stakeholder in the development of More from Less, which formed part of Hampshire's Regulation 25 work.</p>
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2/007/1 10	05/12/0 6	Government Office for the South West, Bristol	Louise Harrison	2		US	The document needs much greater explanation as to why the Authority considered it appropriate to consult on a document that has not been prepared in accordance with the LDS.	As outlined in the Authority's response to 1/007/108, the National Park Authority does not have an approved LDS (the Authority is currently awaiting comments from GOSE on a draft LDS). However, it has produced a draft LDS which included details of the Minerals and Waste Core Strategy DPD production and consultation timetable. The LDS has remained as a draft as the Authority has not finalised other elements of its LDS. The draft Authority LDS was put on the Authority's website in October. One of the roles of the LDS is to inform the public when consultation documents will be produced. By writing to every address within the Wiltshire area of the National Park, the Authority considers this role to have been met through an alternative means to the LDS.
7/007/1 11	05/12/0 6	Government Office for the South West, Bristol	Louise Harrison	7		US	The preparation of this document failed to identify the issues and options affecting the Wiltshire area of the National Park. Instead it assumed that the issues and options identified in the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy (hereafter referred to as the lead Core Strategy) are appropriate for the entire Park, even though the Wiltshire area was not previously considered when identifying them. It is therefore difficult to assess whether the strategy represents the most appropriate in all the circumstances.	The issues for minerals and waste development within the Wiltshire part of the New Forest National Park are limited, given the statutory framework (Environment Act 1995) and tight planning constraints (PPS7) that guide development within National Parks. As is outlined by the Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Report (October 2006), the Wiltshire area of the National Park is very similar in character to the remainder of the National Park, reflecting its inclusion in the designated area. The Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy fully recognises these environmental characteristics and proposes that no sand and gravel extraction should take place within the New Forest National Park, and lays down strict guidelines and policies on potential waste management

								activities. It is not considered that the inclusion of the Wiltshire part of the National Park - similar as it is in character and guided by the same national and regional planning framework - raises any new issues or the need to develop alternative options. The National Park should be planned consistently, and not with different approaches being taken to the different parts of the Park.
7/007/1 12	05/12/0 6	Government Office for the South West, Bristol	Louise Harrison	7		US	The approach taken may jeopardise the progression of the 'lead' Core Strategy.	As set out in paragraph 3.5 of the <i>Guidance Notes for Participants: Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy Examination</i> (October 2006), the Inspector has three options: (i) to find the plan fundamentally sound, but to make minor amendments to policies/text; (ii) to find that parts of the plan are unsound and either require further work to be undertaken, or that part of the plan should be excluded, or brought forward in a revised form in a fresh DPD, and the remainder adopted; or (iii) to find the plan fundamentally unsound. The National Park Authority considers the approach taken to be sound, but would wish to direct the Inspector towards option (ii) if he has concerns over the approach taken - i.e. to adopt the main part of the Hampshire Core Strategy and to recommend further work on the Wiltshire area. This would ensure that the approach taken to the Wiltshire area of the New Forest National Park would not jeopardise the progression of the 'lead' Core Strategy.

7/007/13	05/12/06	Government Office for the South West, Bristol	Louise Harrison	7		US	Suggest the lead Core Strategy should continue on its present course, and the Wiltshire part should be dealt with separately – either as part of a lead Core Strategy review or developed as a separate Core Strategy document. Policies in the existing Minerals and Waste Local Plan could be ‘saved’ in the meantime to avoid a policy vacuum.	Suggestion noted - however the National Park Authority considers the approach taken of integrating the small area of the New Forest National Park within Wiltshire (5% of the Park area) into the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy to be sound, and will provide a consistent planning policy framework for the National Park. National Park designation in 2005 provides the opportunity to integrate the separate planning policies that currently cover the Park, and the preparation of a separate Core Strategy DPD is not considered to be appropriate in terms of consistency of policy and resource expenditure.
008/114	06/12/06	New Forest District Council, Lyndhurst	Julia Norman				No comments or particular concerns about the proposed changes to the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy in respect of the land in Wiltshire.	Comment noted.
S/009/115	06/12/06	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd			S	The Strategy is sound and passes the Tests of Soundness. However additional comments are noted below.	Comments noted and support welcomed.
S/3.7/09/116	06/12/06	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		para 3.7	S	Natural England welcomes the inclusion of the geographic context of Hampshire as provided in Section 3 of the Strategy. However, para. 3.7 should state that the Strategy also applies to the area of the National Park within Wiltshire. It should also include the objectives of the National Park and set out the environmental designations covered by the New Forest National Park, e.g. the Special Area of Conservation (SAC), Special	The Core Strategy Addendum that was circulated in October 2006 included text in paragraph 2.2 stating that "... <i>The National Park Authority will apply the Hampshire Core Strategy to cover the area of the National Park within Wiltshire.</i> " It is considered that the inclusion of this text covers the comments raised by Natural England. It is considered that the references in paragraph 4.6 to the environmental designations in Hampshire; paragraph 5.1 outlining the guidance in PPS7 and PPS9; and Policy DC2 (and supporting text) which

							Protection Area (SPA), Ramsar site, and National Nature Reserves.	protects sites with international and national designations meets the comments made by Natural England. International and National environmental constraints are also illustrated on the Key Diagram, including those in the New Forest National Park.
S/4.6/0 09/117	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Para 4.6	S	Natural England is pleased to see environmental designations, such as the New Forest National Park, identified as a constraint to development in para. 4.6. Specific mention should be given to the full range of environmental designations in the County, a map showing this would be useful. We would also like to see the importance of landscape in the area and landscape designations discussed in Section 4, and reference to Landscape Character Assessments.	International and national environmental designations are illustrated on the Key Diagram. Policy DC2 sets out the designations covered, including National Nature Reserves and SSSIs. Policy DC7 (Biodiversity) offers protection to regionally or locally designated sites or protected species. The Government Office for the South East has advised that such sites (e.g. SINCs) do not need to be illustrated on the Key Diagram. Policy DC3 (Impact on Landscape and Townscape) ensure the distinctiveness of Hampshire's towns and landscape is given full consideration when evaluating minerals and waste developments.
S/11.1/ 009/11 8	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Para 11.1	S	Natural England is pleased to see the inclusion of Strategic Objectives within the Strategy, particularly Objective (ix). Value could be added to the Strategy Objectives through the inclusion of the following points: • reference to managing waste locally • Disposal of waste should only be considered once the alternatives have been exhausted. Ensure the high quality restoration and aftercare of mineral working and landfill sites also takes into account opportunities to enhance or	As is acknowledged in the Natural England consultation response, the majority of the criteria listed for inclusion are picked up in the main body of the Core Strategy or development control policies of the Core Strategy. The Strategy Objectives listed in paragraph 11.1 are designed to be relatively high level and strategic, with the detailed points developed throughout the Strategy (restoration, for example, is picked up in objective (viii) and policy DC12, and site selection criteria is set out Policy S18 and Appendix 2). It is therefore considered that the points raised are already satisfactorily covered in the Submission Core Strategy.

							recreate wildlife habitats. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select sites for the development of waste management facilities and for the working of minerals in a sensitive manner, in Although the majority of these criteria are subsequently picked up in the Strategy, especially through the Development Control policies, we feel that it would be useful to outline key criteria in the Strategy Objectives. 	
S/11/0 09/119	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		11	S	Natural England welcomed the inclusion of a Spatial Vision in the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework Issues and Preferred Options. However, we are disappointed that this hasn't been carried forward into the Core Strategy.	The Spatial Vision was included on page 2 of the Strategy.
S/12/0 09/120	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		12	S	Natural England welcomes the consultation carried out on the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework Issues and Preferred Options. However, we would like to stress that an Appropriate Assessment of the Strategy (or in effect screen for the need for such an assessment) should be undertaken, given the fact that mineral resource areas and urban conurbations requiring waste facilities could be located in close proximity to the New Forest National Park, which is, in large part, designated as an SAC and SPA under the EU Habitats	A Habitats Risk Assessment was completed prior to submission - see Appendix 4 of the Technical Document. This has subsequently been revised and is available on the HCC minerals and waste web-site.

							Directive.	
S/S.1/0 09/121	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		S1	S	<p>Welcomes the policy but additional value could be added to Policy S1 by including the following elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognising landscape character • Conserving and enhancing the natural environment. • Re-using land and buildings. • Conserving materials, energy, water and other resources. • Reducing the impact of noise, pollution, flooding and micro-climatic effects. 	<p>The Core Strategy should be read as a whole. The intention of Policy S1 is to address Sustainable Design and Construction within the context of a M&W Plan - it is not appropriate to include some of those issues suggested as they do not fall under the scope of a M&W Plan. Although certainly a valid point, the issue of conserving landscape character is picked up by Policy DC2; conserving and enhancing the natural environment is covered by Policy DC2 and DC7; re-using materials is covered by policy S1 and DC1 (in relation to M&W development); and the conservation of energy and other resources in covered by policy DC1 (in relation to M&W development). It is not considered necessary to add any additional wording to policy S1.</p>
S/S.3/0 09/122	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		S3-S4	S	<p>Natural England supports proposals which encourage net self-sufficiency in waste management and recognises the sustainability benefits associated with reduced transport if waste is dealt with in proximity to its place of production. We also welcome the recycling and composting targets in Policy S4.</p>	<p>Comments noted and support welcomed. The target date for net self-sufficiency is 2016.</p>
S/S.6/0 09/123	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy S6 / para 18.13	S	<p>Natural England is concerned that the Non-Hazardous Landfill Potential Area, as shown on the Key Diagram, could affect environmental designations, especially those associated with the Wiltshire component of the New Forest National Park. Concerns</p>	<p>The Non-Hazardous Landfill Potential Area, as shown on the Key Diagram, should not be considered in isolation. Although areas identified may be close to environmental designations - but not nearer than 250m to Natura 2000 sites - the relevant DC policies in the Strategy (including DC2 which protects the New Forest National Park,</p>

							<p>include loss of habitat and damage to geological features, impacts of transport and related infrastructure, changes in hydrology, attraction of scavenging animals and birds, and water, soil and air pollution impacts. Additional criteria should be added to para. 18.13 to ensure new sites/locations for non-hazardous landfill are located within the Non-Hazardous Landfill Potential Area shown on the Key Diagram, excluding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urban areas, plus a 250m buffer zone; • All major aquifers and Groundwater Source Protection Zones I and II; • Areas that are covered by or that could affect environmental designations; • Areas that are covered by or that could affect landscape designations; <p>Additional sentence should be added on the end of Policy S6 stating 'Subject to there being no unacceptable impacts, particularly affecting the New Forest National Park, the proposed South Downs National Park or Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty' (in a similar vein to the sentence at the end of Policy S8).</p>	<p>including development outside the National Park that may impact on it) need to also be considered.</p>
S/S.7/0 09/124	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy S7	S	<p>Concerned that Policy S7 makes no reference to the protection of environmental and landscape designations in the siting of specialist waste facilities. At the end</p>	<p>The Core Strategy should be read as a whole. It is considered that the additional wording proposed by Natural England is already covered by Policy DC2, which protects the New Forest National Park and</p>

							of Policy S7 add 'Subject to there being no unacceptable impacts, particularly affecting the New Forest National Park, the proposed South Downs National Park or Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty'	the proposed South Downs National Park from minerals and waste development which would prejudice the purposes of the designated sites.
S/S.8/0 09/125	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy S8	S	Although Policy S8 allows mineral extraction to only take place where it will not have an unacceptable impact on the New Forest National Park, it should also include no unacceptable <i>indirect</i> effects such as those from transport impacts, changes in surface and ground-water systems, etc.	These criteria are covered in other policies, including DC6 Highways and DC10 Water Resources.
S/20.2 1/009/1 26	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Para 20.21	S	Natural England welcomes Policy S9 and recognises the sustainability benefits associated with recycled and secondary aggregates. However, we would like to see reference made in para. 20.21 to ensure that sites and locations ensure there are no adverse impacts on nature conservation and landscape designations.	The Core Strategy should be read as a whole. The impact of sites on nature conservation and landscape designations are covered in policies DC2 Sites with International and National Designations; and DC3 Impact on Landscape and Townscape. It is therefore not considered necessary to add additional criteria to Policy S9 which would duplicate other areas of the document.
S/S.12/ 009/12 7	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy S12	S	We are pleased to see oil & gas activities will not take place in the New Forest National Park. However, oil and gas exploration and production activities outside the boundaries of the New Forest National Park could still impact on its landscape setting and integrity of environmental designations, e.g. through transport impacts. Therefore, we would like indirect effects also considered within Policy S12.	Comments noted and agreed that indirect impacts are an important consideration. However, Policy DC2: Sites with International and National Designations, protects the New Forest National Park from the impact of development and paragraph 25.10 clarifies that this applies to all minerals and waste development within <u>or likely to impact upon</u> the New Forest National Park and other designated sites. It is therefore considered that this concern has been met.

S/S.13/ 009/12 8	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy S13	S	Welcomes sustainable transport of minerals and waste	Support welcomed.
S/S.18/ 009/12 9	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy S18	S	Natural England is pleased to see that the New Forest National Park will only receive minerals and waste developments that are restricted to small scale activities servicing local needs. We are particularly pleased to see that the factors to be used to evaluate potential sites and locations for mineral and waste activities include landscape (impact on designated landscapes, visual impact and landscape character), ecology and biodiversity (as set out in Appendix 2).	Comments noted and support welcomed.
S/DC.1 /009/13 0	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC1	S	Welcome the sustainable design and construction elements set out in para. 25.6. However, additional value could be added to Policy DC1 referring to conserving and enhancing the local environment; design reflecting landscape character & designations; reducing impact of noise, pollution, flooding and micro-climatic effects.	It is considered that these criteria are covered in other policies including DC2 Sites with International and National Designations; DC3 Impact on Landscape and Townscape; DC8 Pollution, Health, Quality of Life and Amenity; and Policy DC 11 Flooding. There is no need to duplicate this guidance in paragraph 25.6, as the Core Strategy should be read as a whole.
S/DC.2 /009/13 1	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC2	S	Natural England is pleased to see the inclusion of Policy DC2 which seeks to protect sites with International and National Designations, particularly that it also extends to those applications that could impact upon them. Pleased to see reference to requirement for Appropriate Assessment.	Comments noted and support welcomed.

S/DC.3 /009/13 2	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC3	S	Pleased to see that due regard is given to the likely visual impact of proposed minerals and waste developments. Reference should be made to specific landscape designations. Policy DC3 should be informed by landscape character assessment; Cross-references to protected landscapes; and reference to the quality and condition of landscapes in the area in the supporting text to Policy DC3.	Policies DC2 and DC3 set out criteria to consider impact on landscape and protected landscapes.
S/DC.6 /009/13 3	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC6	S	Natural England supports the encouragement of sustainable modes of transport. The Wiltshire area of the National Park experiences a considerable amount of waste and minerals traffic in association with aggregate extraction in the Avon Valley and waste processing at the Pound Bottom waste management site. We would therefore like to see transport by road to be kept to a minimum and for this to be reflected in Policy DC6.	Very little minerals traffic from the Avon Valley travels through this area. It is considered that policy DC6 covers the need to consider highways issues in assessing proposals for minerals and waste development, but the Core Strategy is not a site specific document. Policy DC18 and the supporting text encourages sustainable transport by rail and sea. Issues relating specifically to the Pound Bottom site will be addressed through the Hampshire Waste Management Sites DPD. Appendix 2 sets out criteria which will be taken into account in this process and this includes consideration of intermodal transport opportunities and access to the lorry network.
S/DC.7 /009/13 4	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC7	S	Welcomes DC7. Potential positive effects in terms of opportunities for creation or enhancement of habitats, protection of species and geological features, set out in para 25.32 should be promoted in Policy DC7 itself.	Support is welcomed. The inclusion of the supporting text referring to potential positive effects is sufficient and does not require inclusion in the policy itself. The creation of habitats in restoration schemes is mentioned in Policy DC12. No changes required.

S/DC.1 0/009/1 35	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC10	S	Welcomes inclusion of Policy DC10.	Support welcomed.
S/DC.1 2/009/1 36	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC12	S	Welcomes policy on restoration & aftercare of sites, though they should seek to enhance landscape and allow for creation of habitats. Particular attention should be paid to the aftercare of Pound Bottom in Redlynch.	Issues relating to the Pound Bottom site will be addressed specifically if required through the Hampshire Waste Management Sites DPD. The National Park Authority considers that the Core Strategy policies, along with the existing planning permission, provide a suitable overall framework in relation to the Pound Bottom site.
S/DC.1 3/009/1 37	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC13	S	Welcome policy but want inclusion of additional criteria, including no negative impacts on environmental designations and the local landscape.	It is considered that proposals for landfill development will also be subject to other policies in the Core Strategy which include these criteria, namely policies DC2-12.
S/DC.1 4/009/1 38	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC14	S	Welcome criteria-based approach to evaluating site suitability. Additional criteria should be added: enable use of water-borne and rail freight; no negative impacts on environmental designations and local landscape.	It is considered that proposals for waste management development will also be subject to other policies in the Core Strategy which include these criteria, namely policies DC2-12.
S/DC.1 5/009/1 39	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC15	S	Welcome criteria-based approach to evaluating site suitability. Additional criteria should be added: no likely adverse impact on nature conservation; use of water-borne and rail freight; no negative impacts on the local landscape.	It is considered that proposals for sand and gravel development will also be subject to other policies in the Core Strategy which include these criteria, namely policies DC2-12.
S/DC.1 6/009/1 40	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policie s DC16 / DC17	S	Natural England would like to see criteria added to Policies DC16 and DC17 to ensure the appropriate protection of nature and landscape designations.	The Core Strategy should be read as a whole
S/DC.1 8/009/1 41	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC18	S	Supports policy.	Support welcomed

S/DC.1 9/009/1 42	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC19	S	Welcome policy though it should refer to impact on sites outside the National Park. Need for an Appropriate Assessment.	Support welcomed.
S/DC.2 2/009/1 43	06/12/0 6	Natural England (Wiltshire team)	Robert Lloyd		Policy DC22	S	Support policy, though appropriate environmental assessments should be carried out.	Comments noted and support welcomed.
010/14 4	06/12/0 6	Highways Agency	Patrick Blake				The location of strategic facilities should include criteria considering sustainable transport and the proximity principle. Landfill sites should be in the most sustainable locations that would minimise need to transport waste over long distances. Support policy seeking to increase rail / water transport.	Policy DC18 promotes sustainable transport of minerals, waste and resources by rail and sea. Policy DC6 also sets out general transport considerations with regard to landfill. In addition, Appendix 2 sets out the site selection methodology and factors which include intermodal transport opportunities and access to the lorry network.
1/011/1 45	06/12/0 6	Wiltshire County Council	Geoff Winslow	1		US	Annexing the 'Wiltshire element' of the New Forest National Park to the Hampshire Core Strategy is potentially un-sound as the proposals had not been satisfactorily factored into either the New Forest National Park Local Development Scheme or the original Hampshire Minerals and Waste Development Scheme. It is suggested that the 'Wiltshire element' of the New Forest National Park is included for consideration in an early review of the submitted Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy DPD.	The extension of the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy into the Wiltshire part of the New Forest National Park is co-ordinated by the New Forest National Park Authority, who are the sole minerals and waste planning authority for this area. The Authority discussed their draft LDS with the Government Office for the South East (GOSE) in August 2006 and they did not raise the need to include the Wiltshire consultation within the document. However, the NPA has an amended draft LDS to be submitted to GOSE shortly that does refer to the Wiltshire consultation.
7/011/1 46	06/12/0 6	Wiltshire County Council	Geoff Winslow	7		US	Concerns whether the approach adopted by the New Forest National Park in terms of annexing the 'Wiltshire element' of the Park into the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy has been	The Wiltshire area of the New Forest National Park is very similar in character to the rest of the New Forest National Park, reflecting its inclusion in the designated area. The area is covered by the same national planning policy guidance at the

							appropriately scoped, including the consideration of strategic options and alternatives. It is suggested that the 'Wiltshire element' of the New Forest National Park is included for consideration in an early review of the submitted Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy DPD.	Hampshire part of the Park and it is not considered that different issues arise. The Integrated Sustainability Appraisal concludes that no additional alternatives would have been generated through including the Wiltshire area at the outset of the Plan process. In terms of population and area, the Wiltshire area is insignificant on the scale of Hampshire in terms of resource needs. No change required.
4/012/147	06/12/06	Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust	Pauline Holmes	4		US	The saved policies have not been subjected to a sustainability appraisal. It is considered that they should be in order to assess the soundness and sustainability of the plan. Under the section on Landfill the figures have been changed from 2.7 to 3.6 million tons to take into account Wiltshire sections however the further figure mentioned has dropped from 4.2 to 2.2 million tonnes. If Wiltshire's sections are being taken into account it is considered that both sets of figures would have increased. There is no explanation why the second figure has been reduced	There is no requirement to subject the various 'saved' Local Plan policies to a sustainability appraisal and the saved sites are not located within this area of Wiltshire. The figure in 18.11 for un-engineered landfill void has increased whereas the figure for new capacity to be found has decreased because new landfill to be found is the difference between requirements and void.
4/013/148	06/12/06	Government Office for the South East, Guildford	Marie O'Sullivan	4	Para 2.2 Core Strategy Addendum	US	Can you confirm that the inclusion of the Wiltshire area within the core strategy has not altered the position with regard to the Habitats Directive. We would urge you to speak with Natural England on this point.	In terms of scoping the need for an Appropriate Assessment of the Core Strategy, this was undertaken as part of the Hampshire County Council led consultation undertaken in 2005. Appendix 4 of the Submission draft Core Strategy Technical Document relates to the assessment of the Core Strategy in accordance with the EC Directive 92/43. The conclusion is that policy DC2 has been written to protect sites

								<p>designated due to their nature conservation importance at the international scale (Natura 2000 sites). This policy, in conjunction with other policies which ensure waste minimisation and reduce landfill thus minimising the need for landfill sites, safeguard sites designated for their international importance for nature conservation importance to biodiversity in Hampshire. With these safeguards in place it is not thought that this Core Strategy will have a significant effect on Hampshire's Natura 2000 sites. In their response to the Hampshire consultation in 2005 (41/37) English Nature – who were the relevant Government agency - welcomed the intention of the Core Strategy to avoid a likely significant effect Natura 2000 sites, and stress the need for more detailed consideration to be given to potential impacts on Natura 2000 sites during the selection of sites for proposed mineral and waste development. It is not considered that the extension of the Core Strategy into the small area of the New Forest National Park affects this conclusion. The Submission draft Core Strategy protects sites with international and national designations through Policy DC2, and any sites considered for development will be fully considered through the preferred options stage in the production of the Hampshire Minerals Plan and the Hampshire Waste Management Plan. It is therefore considered that no changes are required in response to this representation.</p>
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7/013/1 49	06/12/0 6	Government Office for the South East, Guildford	Marie O'Sullivan	7	Para 2.2 Core Strateg y Adden dum	US	It is not clear that reasonable options have been considered for the Wiltshire area.	The options for Hampshire are 'strategic' in nature and generically applied - the area of Wiltshire being considered is not significant in terms of waste production or mineral need or supply to distort this approach. The issues for minerals and waste development within the Wiltshire part of the New Forest National Park are limited, given the statutory framework (Environment Act 1995) and tight planning constraints (PPS7) that guide development within National Parks. As is outlined by the Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Report (October 2006), the Wiltshire area of the National Park is very similar in character to the remainder of the National Park, reflecting its inclusion in the designated area. The Hampshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy fully recognises these environmental characteristics and proposes that no sand and gravel extraction should take place within the New Forest National Park, and lays down strict guidelines and policies on potential waste management activities. It is not considered that the inclusion of the Wiltshire part of the National Park - similar as it is in character and guided by the same national and regional planning framework - raises any new issues or the need to develop alternative options. The National Park should be planned consistently, and not with different approaches being taken to the different parts of the Park.
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1/013/150	06/12/06	Government Office for the South East, Guildford	Marie O'Sullivan	1	Para 2.2 Core Strategy Addendum	US	It is suggested that it would be useful to clarify the LDS you are relying on in terms of waste and minerals, for that part of the New Forest National Park in Hampshire.	The extension of the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Strategy into the Wiltshire part of the New Forest National Park is coordinated by the National Park Authority, who are the sole planning authority for this area of land. This is the reason that there is no clear reference in the Hampshire Minerals and Waste adopted LDS. The 'catch up' Wiltshire consultation is outlined in the National Park Authority's draft LDS - submitted to the Government Office for the South East at the beginning of November. The draft Authority LDS is on the Authority's website.
014/151	06/12/06	Environment Agency	Loretta Bean				No specific comments to make further to those previously submitted on the Core Strategy that will now be addressed through the Examination in Public.	Comment noted. The Environment Agency's previous representations will be considered as part of the Examination, starting at the end of January 2006
S/015/152	07/12/06	Bransgore Parish Council	Sally Owen			S	Consider the Strategy to be sound.	Comments noted and support welcomed.

ANNEX 1: Public Advert at the Regulation 28 Stage

PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004

The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004

Notice of Submission to the First Secretary of State and Public Consultation with regard to the

Hampshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework Core Strategy – applicable to the area of New Forest National Park within Wiltshire

Development Plan Document Matters and Statement as required by Regulation 28

Hampshire County Council, the New Forest National Park Authority, Portsmouth City Council and Southampton City Council have jointly prepared a Strategy as part of the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework. The Strategy sets out the vision, objectives and spatial development strategy for the planning for minerals and waste until 2020.

This consultation relates exclusively to the area of the New Forest National Park that lies within Wiltshire (Salisbury District).

The Strategy and addendum is supported by a Technical Document and addendum, and a Sustainability Appraisal. A Consultation Statement has also been submitted. Copies of the Strategy, addendum and supporting papers are formally available for inspection from **25 October 2006** to **6 December 2006** at:

- New Forest National Park Authority, South Efford House, Milford Road, Everton, Lymington during normal office hours Monday – Friday 8:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Salisbury District Council at 61 Wyndham Road, Salisbury during normal office hours Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The consultation documents are also available for viewing and download on the internet at: <http://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/index/planning/pl-planpolicy/pl-minandwaste.htm>

Representations on the Strategy and addendum, and supporting documents are invited and a response form is available at the above locations and on the website. All representations should be made in writing on the form provided and sent to:

Policy and Plans Team
New Forest National Park Authority
South Efford House
Milford Road
Lymington SO41 0JD

Or by email to policyandplans@newforestnpa.gov.uk.

Please note that representations received during the consultation period cannot be treated as confidential.

Only those representations that are made in writing and arrive at the postal or email addresses specified above within the six week period starting **Wednesday 25 October 2006 and ending at 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday 6 December 2006** will have a right to be considered. If you think you may have difficulty in submitting a written representation, please contact us on 01590 646672 or 646687. Representations may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specific address of the recommendations of the person appointed to carry out an independent examination of the Strategy. You may also request to be notified when the Strategy is adopted.

ANNEX 2: Copies of Regulation 28 consultation responses