

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROPOSED RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY:

Susan Carey, Cabinet Member for Environment

DECISION NO:

21/00026

For publication Yes

Key decision: YES

Subject Matter / Title of Decision

Kent Minerals and Waste Safeguarding Supplementary Planning Document – Adoption

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment, I agree to

- adopt the updated Supplementary Planning Document as guidance for the County on mineral and waste safeguarding; and,
- delegate powers to the Corporate Director for Growth, Environment & Transport to approve any minor modifications to the text of the Supplementary Planning Document, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment, which may be needed (such as formatting changes and typographical errors), in order to publish the Document.

Reason(s) for decision:

National planning policy requires local plans, including those prepared by the Borough and District Councils, to safeguard mineral resources, minerals production and transportation infrastructure, and waste management facilities. This safeguarding plays an important role in delivering sustainable development, and it supports economic growth and our quality of life. It ensures that there is sufficient waste capacity to manage Kent's waste arisings such that the drive to net self-sufficiency is not compromised. It ensures that economic mineral resources are considered when determining planning applications and allocating sites for development within local plans.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

A public consultation was held, initially from 20 November 2020 to 4 January 2021, then extended to 29 January 2021 following requests from District and Borough Councils. The consultation document was made available online on the Council's Consultation Portal and the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan webpage. As well as Borough and District Councils across Kent, mineral and waste operators, parish councils, statutory consultees, Members, and planning consultants were directly notified of the consultation.

The proposed decision will be discussed by Members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 18 March 2021.

Any alternatives considered and rejected:

The County Council is required by national planning policy to ensure that local plans safeguard mineral resources and minerals and waste development.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

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signed

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