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Dear Sir/Madam,

Central & Eastern Berkshire - Joint Minerals and Waste Plan: Duty to Cooperate (DtC) strategic mineral and waste movements

Bracknell Forest Council, Reading Borough Council, The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead and Wokingham Borough Council (known hereafter as the 'Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities') are working in partnership to produce a Joint Minerals and Waste Plan which will guide minerals and waste decision-making in the Plan area for the period up to 2036. The Joint Minerals & Waste Plan will build upon the formerly adopted minerals and waste plans for the Berkshire area, and improve, update and strengthen the policies and provide details of strategic sites that are proposed to deliver the vision.

Hampshire Services, part of Hampshire County Council, is working in collaboration with the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities to assist them with the plan preparation.

The purpose of this letter is to confirm the mineral and waste movements that have been established between your authority and the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities, are in line with the figures you have identified. Additionally, this letter is a request for information on possible planning or capacity restrictions that may impact future waste management or the movement of minerals between the authorities.

Waste

Utilising the Environment Agency's Waste Data Interrogator, strategic waste movements have been identified in accordance with the South East Waste Planning Advisory Group (SEWPAG) (2014) thresholds, which are as follows:

- 5,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) inert waste
- 2,500 tonnes per annum (tpa) non hazardous waste
- 100 tonnes per annum (tpa) hazardous waste

The Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities will use the above SEWPAG thresholds as a guide to defining strategic waste movements, following waste data extraction from the Environment Agency's Waste Data Interrogator.

The information in the attached appendix to this letter details the quantities of waste movement between your authority and the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities. The reports have been extracted from the Waste Data Interrogator for the year 2015, and the 'waste received' function has been used rather than 'waste removed' as it is considered to be more reliable.

Minerals

The appendix to this letter sets out the mineral movements between your authority and the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities. Please consider the movements and inform Hampshire Services of any known reason(s) as to why these movements may be unable to continue into the future. Strategic movements have been those identified as over 10,000t.

After considering the information in this letter and the attached appendix, please could you answer the following questions:

1. Do you consider the enclosed information to be accurate? If not, please explain any discrepancies.
2. Are you aware of any (planning related) reasons as to why minerals and waste movements, similar to those in the attached, cannot continue in the future? If so, please state facility end dates where possible.
3. Do you consider the movements set out in the appendix to be a strategic matter for your authority?
4. Please provide details on whether the waste sites considered in the appendix are safeguarded or are likely to be safeguarded in the future.
5. Do you have any further information or comments on minerals and waste data, or specific site information?

Hampshire County Council is working in collaboration with the four Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities and so is coordinating this Duty to Cooperate request. Therefore, please submit your response to the Planning Policy team at Hampshire Services via jceb@hants.gov.uk by **4 September 2017**. If a response is not received from you by the stated date, it will be assumed there are no known issues with the continued movement of minerals and waste between your authority and the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities.

For further information on the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities – Joint Minerals and Waste Plan, please visit www.hants.gov.uk/berksconsult

Please contact the Planning Policy team at Hampshire Services with any related queries via the contact details provided at the top of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

*Hampshire Services



*Hampshire Services, part of Hampshire County Council, is working in collaboration with the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities to assist them in the preparation of the Joint Minerals & Waste Plan. Data sharing arrangements are in place for the purposes of this collaboration project.

Appendix 1: Central and Eastern Berkshire and XXX Council Waste Movements

Please note: Tonnages have been rounded up to whole integers.

Appendix 2: Central and Eastern Berkshire and XXX Council - Mineral Movements

Please note:

*Berkshire consists of Bracknell Forest Council, Reading Borough Council, Slough Borough Council, The Royal borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, West Berkshire Council and Wokingham Borough Council

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