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Eden

PROPOSED SITES WITHIN EDEN DISTRICT

FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT

Household Waste Recycling Centres

First preference

- ED10 Crosscroft Industrial Estate, Appleby

Reserve list

- *none*

Waste Treatment Facilities

First preference

- ED31 Flusco waste management site

Reserve

- *ED1 Blencowe Quarry*

Energy from Waste

- None

Landfill

- ED7 Thackwood clay pit

MINERAL SITES PREFERRED AREAS OR AREAS OF SEARCH

- M18 Stamphill Preferred Area for gypsum

MINERAL SAFEGUARDING

- Limestone, sandstone, igneous rock, sand and gravel and gypsum. (Also old planning permission areas for underground lead and zinc mining).

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ED1 Blencowe Quarry, Newbiggin

- 761 This comprises two areas; an existing industrial estate and the adjacent quarry. It is a reserve list site for modern covered waste treatment facilities, which may include - Mechanical and Biological Treatment plant, Materials Recovery Facility, transfer/bulking station, on around 2-3ha. A new access road could be required.
- 762 This site is on the reserve list because of uncertainty about delivery, the quarry may be developed as a caravan/lodge park, which has planning permission. That part of it within the existing industrial estate is less well located to the road network than the first preference, which is Flusco (ED31). If this development goes ahead, lorries should be routed to avoid the village of Newbiggin.
- 763 The Habitats Regulations Assessment concludes that this site would not have impacts on the River Eden SAC.
- 764 Surveys for great crested newts would be needed, information from the caravan/lodge planning application should be used.

Summary of comments from previous consultation stages

- 765 None received.

Summary of comments from the Regulation 25 consultation stage

- 766 Comments received during this consultation were: that the parish council believes this site is better suited as a caravan site and prefers the Flusco waste management site; the highway authority comments that no large vehicles should go through Newbiggin and the Highways Agency should be consulted; the majority of the site has recently been given permission for a caravan/lodge park; the Environment Agency states that it is important to establish the relationship with the water table and active or passive dewatering; the quarry has a mosaic of habitats of County Wildlife Site quality, which should be taken into account, as well as the great crested newt population; and that the site falls within the River Eden Drinking Water Catchment, so any activity that potentially causes pollution of drinking water should be discussed with United Utilities.

Environmental assets

- 767 At the entrance to the quarry is the roadside verge near Newbiggin County Wildlife Site, which is an area of hay meadows and pastures UK priority habitat. At a distance of 1.3km is an area of fen, marsh & swamp UK priority habitat. The site is around 1.4km from Newton Reigny Moss SSSI. It is 900m from the disused railway line near Newbiggin County Wildlife Site.
- 768 There are notable populations of great crested newts in the locality; a survey would be required to assess populations across the whole of this area to determine the important pond areas and terrestrial land habitat. The site lies 920m east of the Greystoke red squirrel buffer zone.
- 769 The nearest Listed Building is Bunker Hill, around 900m away.

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Enhancement potential

- 770 The species-rich meadow grassland of the Special Verge/CWS requires continued good management.
- 771 A development scheme should incorporate protection of habitats/species on the old quarry waste tip and wetlands, as appropriate.
- 772 No archaeological work recommended.

Flood map zone

- 773 No flood risk identified

Agricultural Land Classification.

- 774 Grade 4 - less than 20% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Safeguarding

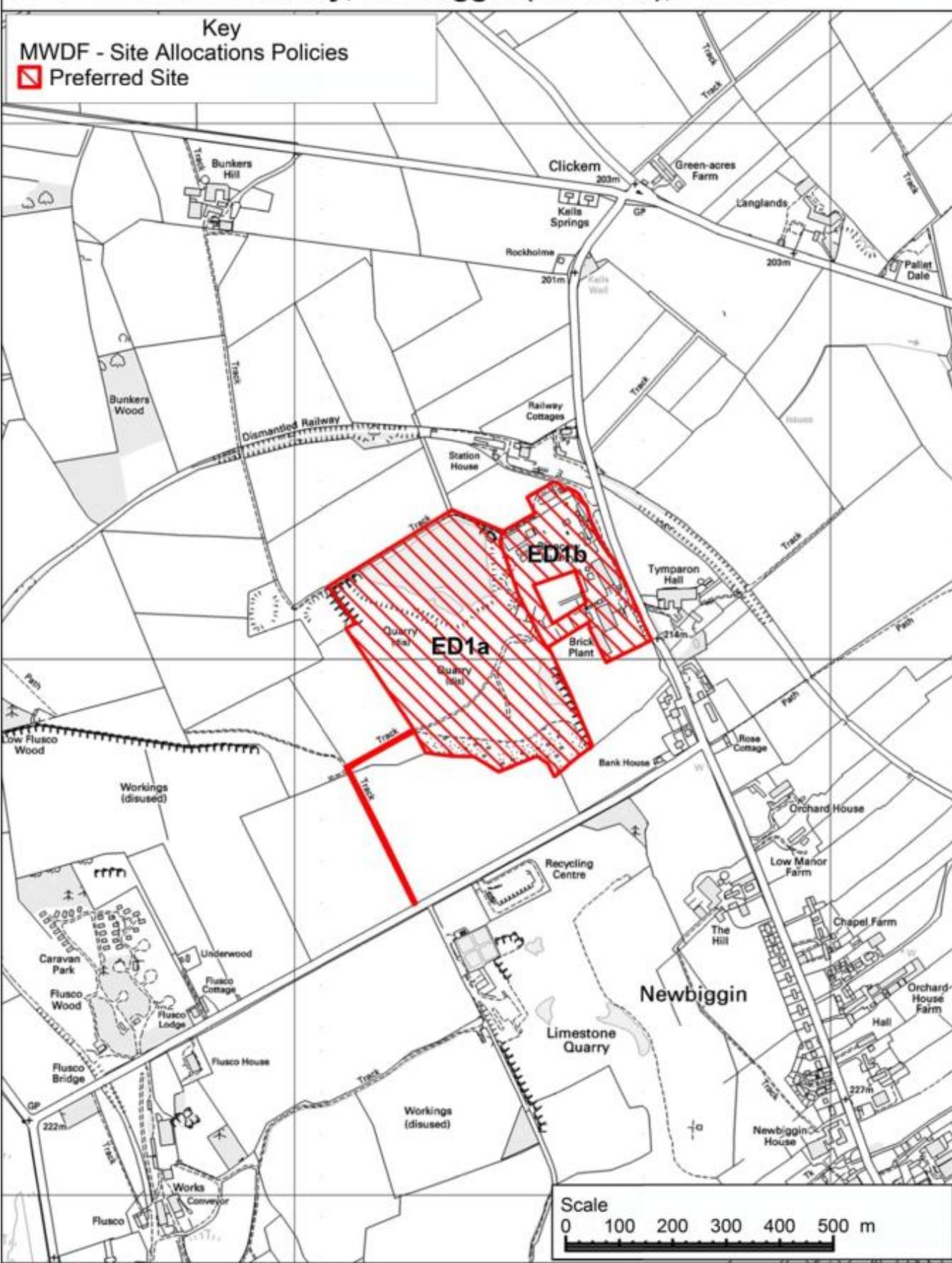
- 775 The site is within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) safeguarding area.

Sequential approach

- 776 A brownfield site, which is allocated as employment land, but not within a Town or Key Service Centre.

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ED1 - Blencowe Quarry, Newbiggin (Stainton), Penrith



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ED7 Thackwood, Southwaite, Carlisle

- 777 This site was not included in the 2007 consultations. It has planning permission for clay extraction (which has favourable engineering properties); this permission requires passing places along the access routes. The site has been put forward for consideration, after the clay extraction, as an extension to the adjoining landfill, which has approximately 120,000 cubic metres remaining void space. It would provide at least 380,000 cubic metres of additional void space. This is intended to be used in support of the Materials Recycling Facility for the skip hire business at the adjoining site, which achieves 80% recycling rates including soils, which are retained for site restoration. Landfill would be likely to continue at the existing rate of around 5,000 tonnes/year. Due to the characteristics of the residual waste, this is equivalent to 15 to 23,000 cubic metres/year. The site currently provides 11 jobs plus 14 drivers.
- 778 Although the site is in Eden, it is close to the city of Carlisle and adjoins the operator's materials recovery facility and skip hire business, which achieves high levels of recycling.
- 779 Planning permission for landfill was refused three years ago on the grounds of lack of need and that it had not been demonstrated that there would not be unacceptable cumulative impacts.
- 780 The Core Strategy now identifies the need for additional landfill and a planning application would need to address the cumulative impact issues in accordance with adopted policies.
- 781 The Habitats Regulations Assessment concludes that this site would not have impacts on the River Caldew, which is part of the River Eden SAC.

Summary of comments from the Regulation 25 consultation stage

- 782 Comments received during this consultation were: that no passing places have yet been provided on the access roads, in accordance with highway requirements; the site is next to the Warren Plantation Fault, earth tremors could damage a landfill cell, which could result in devastating consequences in the future; the road network is inadequate; a commitment was given that there would not be landfill; adverse impacts on nearby houses; recycling operations could be done elsewhere, reducing waste miles; good quality agricultural land requires special consideration; other land within the operator's site would have less visual impact; and that planning permission for landfill has previously been refused and it would, therefore, not appear to be appropriate for non-inert wastes.

Environmental assets

- 783 The site is adjacent to an unnamed Ancient Woodland, which is also semi-natural woodland UK priority habitat, and is 1.6km from Gill Beck Wood Ancient Woodland.
- 784 There is a record for red squirrels and one for brown hares in the immediate vicinity.

Enhancement potential

- 785 Potential for habitat creation/enhancement in restoration scheme.

Flood map zone

- 786 No flood risk has been identified.

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Safeguarding

- 787 The site is within both the Carlisle Airport 30km and the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) safeguarding areas.

Agricultural Land Classification

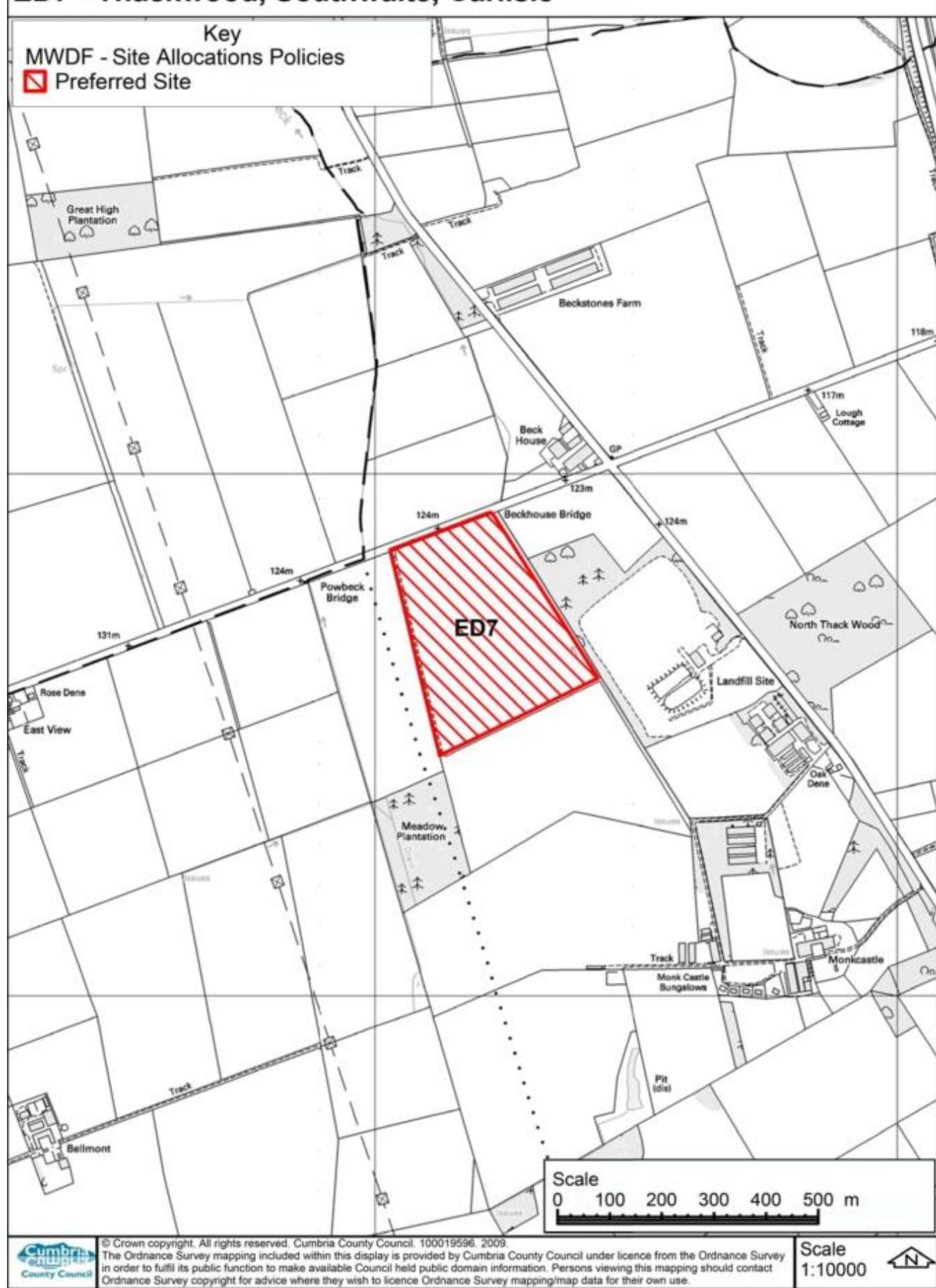
- 788 Grade 3 - 20 to 60% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Sequential approach

- 789 Greenfield, but with planning permission for clay extraction. Not at a town or Key Service Centre.

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ED7 - Thackwood, Southwaite, Carlisle



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ED10 Crosscroft Industrial Estate, Appleby-in-Westmorland

- 790 This is the first preference site for an HWRC, if one is to be built at Appleby. This would result in lorry traffic going through Appleby.
- 791 The Habitats Regulations Assessment concludes that this site would not have impacts on the River Eden SAC, North Pennine Moors SPA or Moor House-Upper Teesdale SAC.

Summary of comments from previous consultation stages

- 792 The use of the site for a Household Waste Recycling Centre was supported.

Summary of comments from the Regulation 25 consultation stage

- 793 Comments received during this consultation were: that it could benefit Appleby, much depended on detailed proposals; the highway authority considers the industrial estate road is suitable for heavy vehicles, inevitably this will mean some going through Appleby; it is supported by the Town Council, which is disappointed that there are no current proposals to build it; and that the site falls within the River Eden Drinking Water Catchment, so any activity that potentially causes pollution of drinking water should be discussed with United Utilities.

Environmental assets

- 794 The site is within 900m of the River Eden and Tributaries SAC and SSSI; Dowpitts Wood County Wildlife Site is 1.5km away; both Dowpitts Wood and Flackbridge Wood Ancient Woodlands are 1.5km away; an area of semi-natural woodland UK priority habitat lies at 1.7km; and an area of coastal and floodplain grazing marsh UK priority habitat at 1.3km.
- 795 Appleby Castle - Registered Historic Park and Garden, is 970m to the west.
- 796 There are badgers, red squirrels and bats - common pipistrelle, brown long-eared and brandt's - in the locality. The water vole reintroduction zone lies 210m to the south.
- 797 Cycle path 68 runs along the northern boundary of the site and route 71 along the west.

Enhancement potential

- 798 Retain mature trees; and general habitat enhancement.
- 799 No archaeological work recommended.

Flood map zone

- 800 No identified flood risk.

Safeguarding

- 801 Within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site safeguarding area.

Agricultural Land Classification

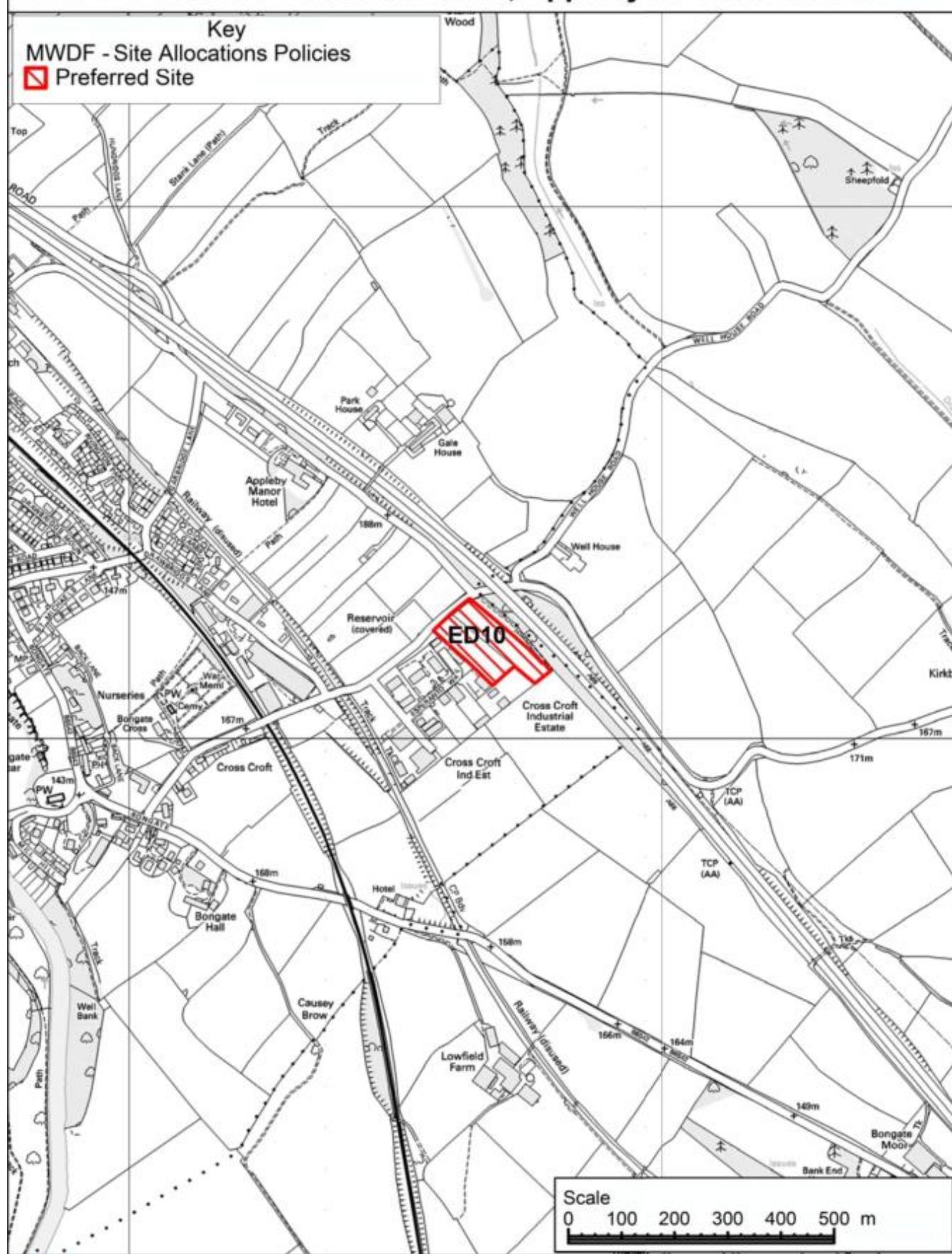
- 802 Grade 3 - 20 to 60% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Sequential approach

- 803 This is a greenfield site, at a Key Service Centre, that is allocated for employment use.

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ED10 - Crosscroft Industrial Estate, Appleby-in-Westmorland



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ED31 Flusco landfill complex, Flusco, Penrith

- 804 This complex includes a quarry, landfill, leachate lagoons, landfill gas powered electricity generator and a new, modern Household Waste Recycling Centre. It is a first preference for further built waste management treatment facilities - areas ED31a and ED31c have been put forward for consideration for recycling transfer stations, whilst area ED31b has been put forward for an inert waste recycling area. Lorry traffic is directed to use the route to the A66 that avoids the village of Newbiggin.
- 805 The Habitats Regulations Assessment concludes that this site would not have impacts on the River Eden SAC.

Summary of comments from previous consultation stages

- 806 There is a licensed groundwater abstraction close to this site, for the spray irrigation of the nearby golf course.

Summary of comments from the Regulation 25 consultation stage

- 807 Comments received during this consultation were: that no large vehicles should go through Newbiggin and the Highways Agency should be consulted about the A66 junction; the Environment Agency states it is important to establish the relationship with the water table and active or passive dewatering; and that the site falls within the River Eden Drinking Water Catchment, so any activity that potentially causes pollution of drinking water should be discussed with United Utilities.

Environmental assets

- 808 Newton Reigny Moss SSSI, which is also a Cumbria Wildlife Trust Reserve, a Site of Invertebrate Significance and fen, marsh & swamp UK priority habitat, is around 1.6km from the site; the Disused Railway Line Near Newbiggin County Wildlife Site is around 1km away and the Roadside Verge Near Newbiggin CWS, which is also an area of hay meadows and pastures UK Priority Habitat, is around 1km away.
- 809 There are records for great crested newts, red squirrels, brown hares and noctule bats in the vicinity. The Greystoke red squirrel buffer zone lies 930m to the west.
- 810 The licenced groundwater abstraction within the site, primarily to damp down dust, has a quota of 6 tanker-fulls per day.

Enhancement potential

- 811 Associated with the restoration of the quarry/landfill. A newt survey was carried out on the site in 2009.
- 812 No archaeological work recommended.

Flood map zone

- 813 No identified flood risk.

Agricultural Land Classification

- 814 Grade 4 land within a quarry/landfill complex - less than 20% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

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Safeguarding

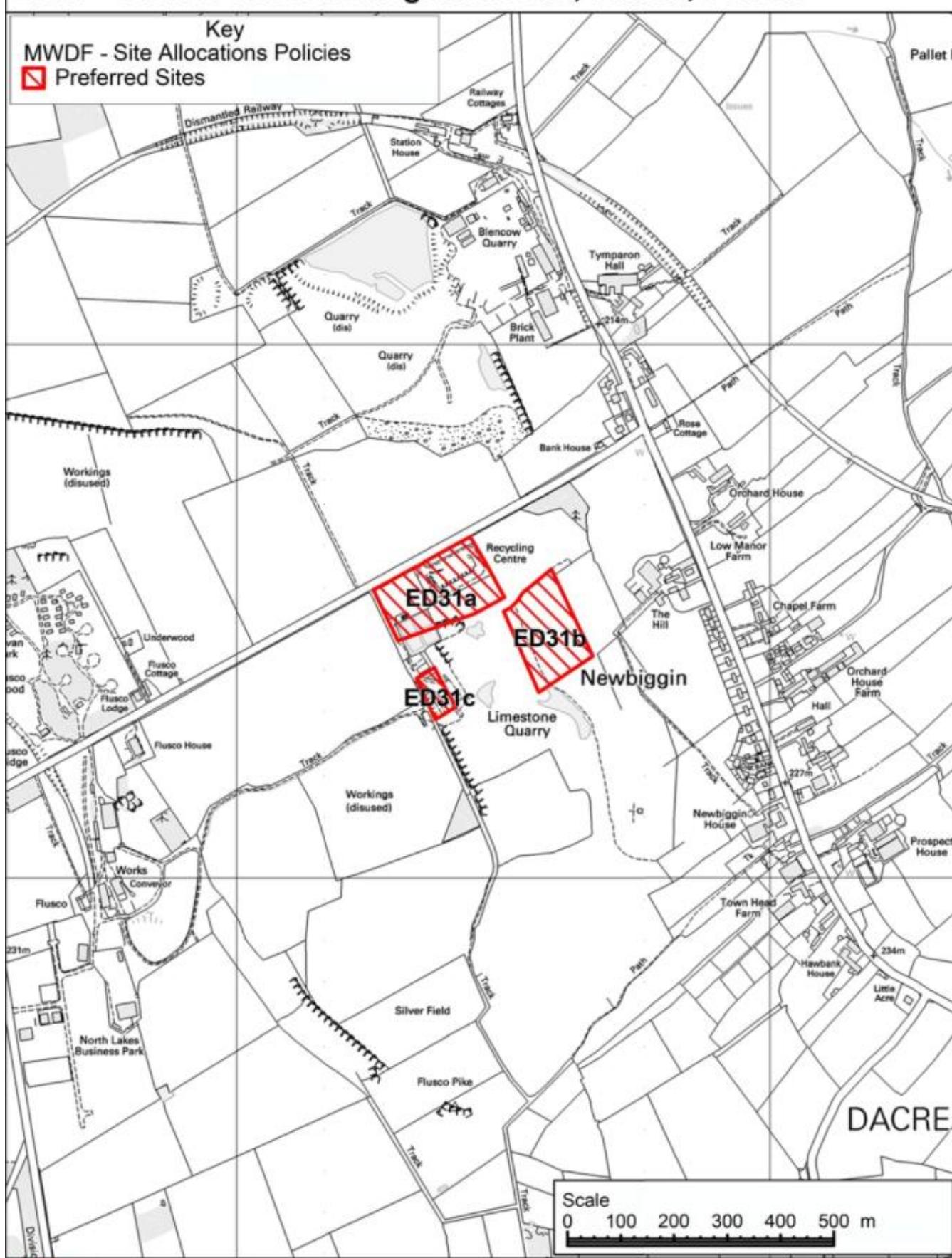
- 815 Not within a safeguarding area, although both the Carlisle Airport 30km and the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) safeguarding areas fall within 2km of the site.

Sequential approach

- 816 Not all of the land has been previously developed, it is within a quarrying/landfill complex. The site is not within a Town or Key Service Centre. It is approximately 7km by road west of Penrith.

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ED31 - Flusco Waste Management Site, Flusco, Penrith



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M18 Stamphill, Long Marton, Appleby-in-Westmorland

- 817 This is a proposed Preferred Area for gypsum.
- 818 This site would be intended as a replacement for Birkhead underground mine, when that is worked out in around 15 years. The mine supplies gypsum to the nearby Kirkby Thore plaster and plaster board works, which is a major employer and supplies a national market. Gypsum would be taken to the works by conveyor, not by lorries.
- 819 Remaining gypsum resources are too shallow to be worked by underground methods and would be opencast. Stamphill was granted permission in the 1990's but was not developed. A new planning application would be needed, which would have to address the issues raised in the consultations, such as HGV traffic and the use of a conveyor.
- 820 The Habitats Regulations Assessment concludes that, without mitigation measures for otter habitat and drainage, this site could have impacts on the River Eden SAC, but not the North Pennine Moors SPA and Moor House-Upper Teesdale SAC. The restoration scheme could provide substantial habitat enhancements.

Summary of comments from previous consultation stages

- 821 Comments received were: that the highway network is not considered suitable to accommodate large vehicles; there are major concerns about impacts on the village; insufficient information is available; it is very close to the village; and that the site falls within the River Eden Drinking Water Catchment, so any activity that potentially causes pollution of drinking water should be discussed with United Utilities.
- 822 A public meeting was held in mid-November 2009 to explain and discuss the issues raised by this site and the Minerals Safeguarding Areas for gypsum. A further public meeting was held at the Kirkby Thore works in January 2010 and, during the Site Allocations Policies Hearing in Public in October 2010, the session that discussed gypsum was held in Kirkby Thore village. The concerns expressed related also to the Mineral Safeguarding Area and it was agreed that this would be reconsidered, taking account of all gypsum resources, in the review of the Core Strategy.

Environmental assets

- 823 The River Eden SAC and River Eden & Tributaries SSSI lie 450m away; the boundary of the North Pennines AONB is 1.9km. Dufton Gill County Wildlife Site is 1.9km away; Dufton Gill Ancient Woodland, which is also semi-natural woodland UK priority habitat, is 1.6km; Flackbridge Wood Ancient Woodland is 2.5km; and the Woodland Trust Nature Reserve at Dufton Gill Wood is 1.9km.
- 824 The site lies within the water vole potential area; is 740m from the great crested newt potential zone; 660m from the red squirrel buffer; and just over 1km from the goose/swan important area. There are records of common toads, otters, bats (pipistrelle and Daubenton's) skylarks and badgers in the vicinity.
- 825 It is adjacent to the Settle to Carlisle Railway Conservation Area and 2km from the Dufton Conservation Area. The closest Listed Buildings, around 15 to 20, are in Long Marton, around 80m away. There are less than 10 Listed Buildings in Kirkby Thore, the closest of which is 1km away. There are two Scheduled Ancient Monuments at just over 1km away - Camp east of Redlands Bank and Kirkby Thore Roman Fort and Vicus.

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826 National Cycle Route 68, Eden Valley, lies 1.5km away.

Enhancement potential

- 827 The site is not associated with any existing operations, so a detailed landscape and visual impact assessment would be required to determine the scale and siting of any future operations and any adverse effects on the setting of the North Pennines AONB.
- 828 There are significant opportunities for habitat enhancement including for great crested newts, water voles and otters, plus general wetland and woodland creation.
- 829 Potential in restoration scheme, which would need to protect landscape quality, distinctiveness and character.
- 830 Potential for prehistoric and Roman remains - mitigation would be required.

Flood map zone

- 831 A narrow strip of flood zones 2 and 3 cuts into the north of the site.

Agricultural Land Classification

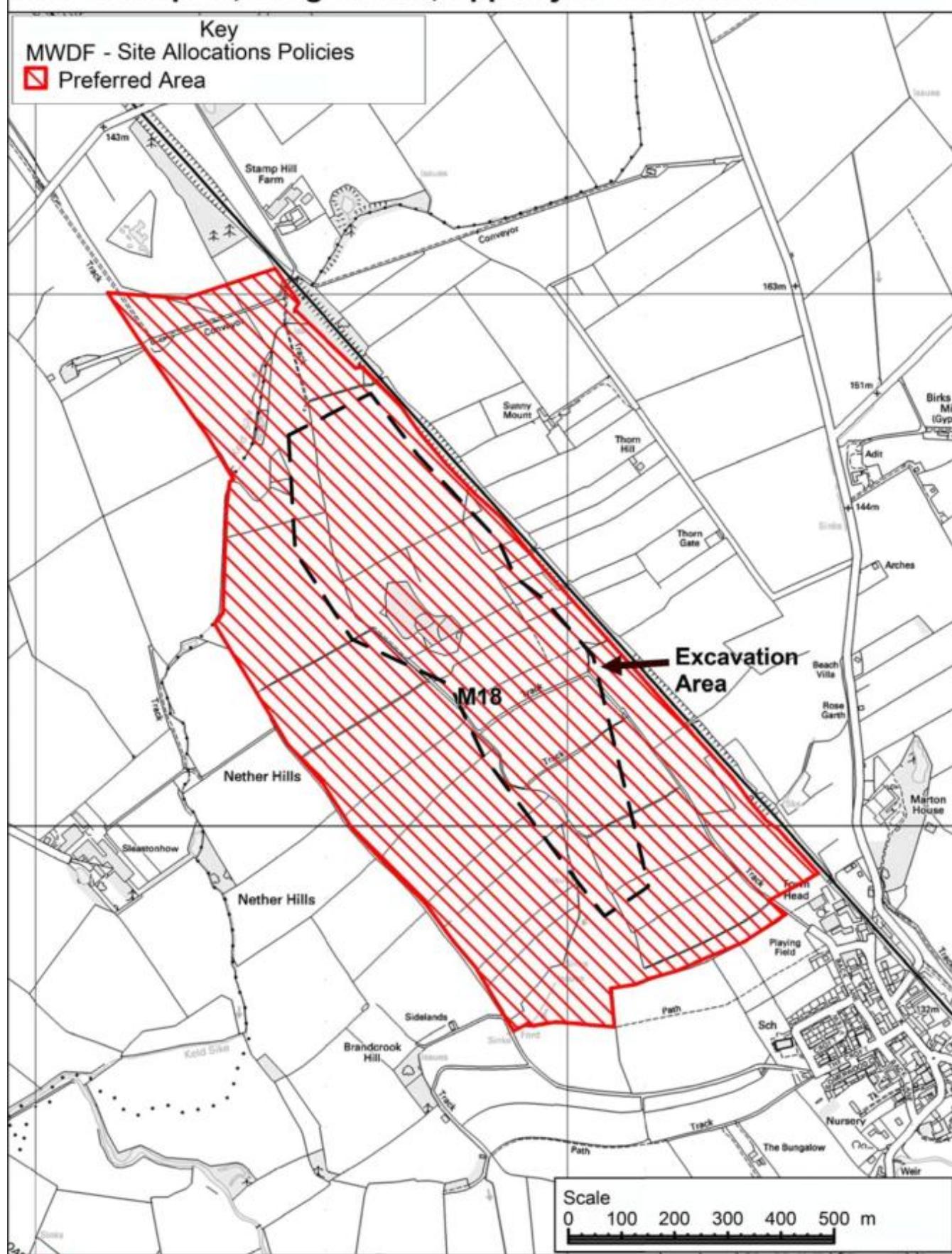
- 832 Grade 3 - greater than 60% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Safeguarding

- 833 The site lies within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) consultation area; it is 30m from the Longriggs Mine and 70m from the Birkhead Mine safeguarding areas.

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M18 - Stamphill, Long Marton, Appleby-in-Westmorland



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Other sites in Eden that have been considered

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ED2 North Lakes Business Park, Flusco

834 Land adjacent to this industrial estate has been laid out for further development. A larger area was previously identified for modern covered waste treatment facilities, on around 2-3ha. This is not a preferred site, nearby alternatives seem more appropriate.

Summary of comments from previous consultation stages

835 Concerns were raised that the site was not only greenfield, it was relatively prominent, and lay within a former County Landscape Area, which was likely to have some sensitivity.

Environmental assets

836 An area of special roadside verge is 580m away. The roadside verge near Newbiggin County Wildlife Site, which is an area of hay meadows and pastures UK priority habitat, is about 1.4km away, the disused railway line near Newbiggin CWS is 1.8km.

837 There are recent records of notable populations of great crested newts in the locality, a survey would be required to assess populations across the whole of this area to determine the important pond areas and terrestrial land habitat. There could be possible bat issues if any mature trees are affected. There are brown hares in the locality. The site lies 920m east of the Greystoke red squirrel buffer zone.

838 The nearest Listed Buildings are in Newbiggin and the nearest of these is The Hill, approximately 450 metres from the site.

839 Cycle route 71 runs some distance to the west.

Enhancement potential

840 Potential habitat creation/enhancement for great crested newts and bats.

841 There is potential for prehistoric remains on the site - mitigation would be required.

Flood map zone

842 No identified flood risk.

Safeguarding

843 Great Dun Fell LRSS Technical Site (2) and Carlisle Airport safeguarding areas are about 1.8km away.

Agricultural Land Classification

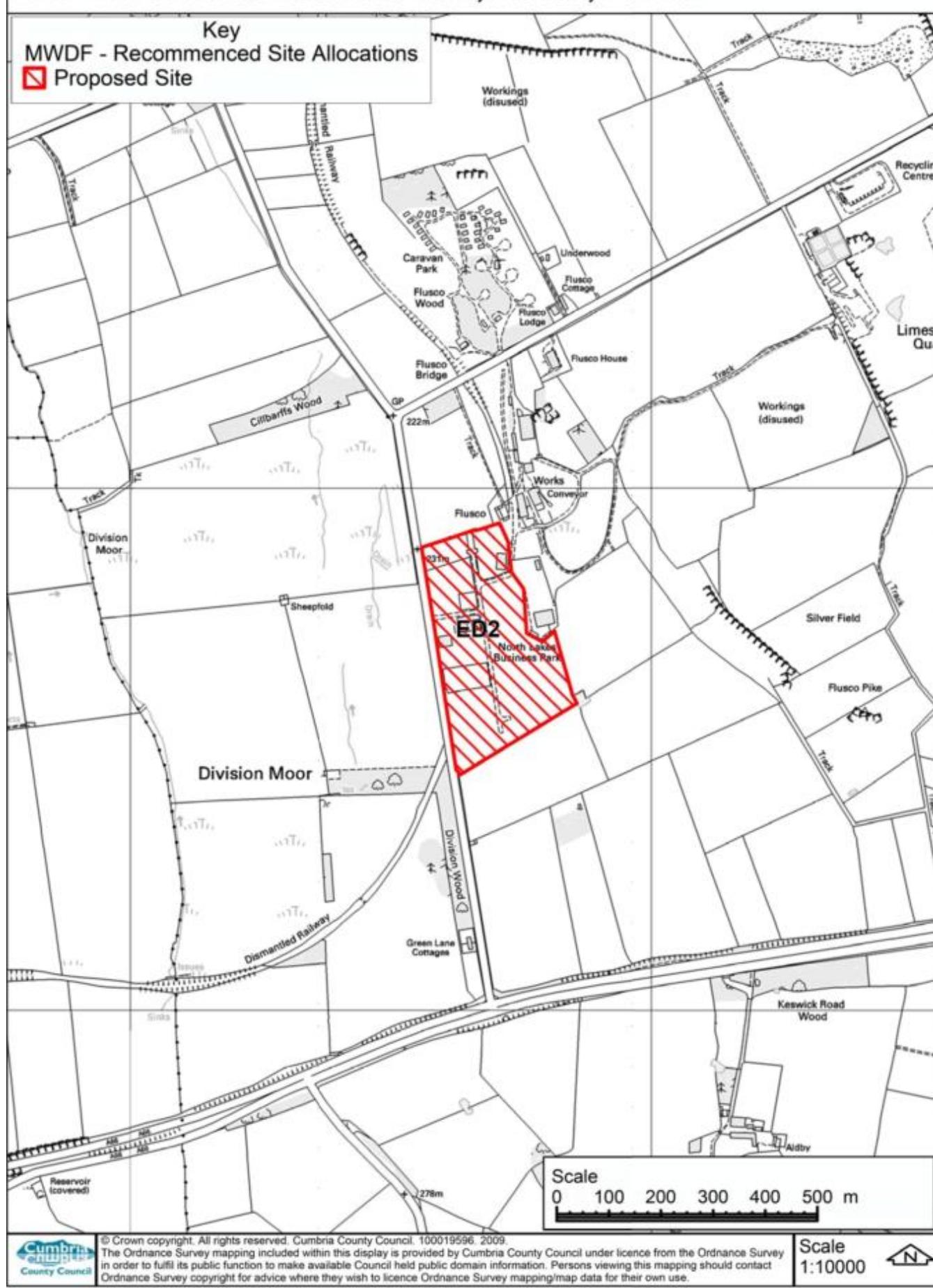
844 Grade 4 - less than 20% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Sequential approach

845 Site laid out for industrial park development, not at a town or Key Service Centre.

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ED2 - North Lakes Business Park, Flusco, Penrith



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WASTE MANAGEMENT SITE CORING MATRIX - ED 2 North Lakes Business Park, Flusco

Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Recent MWDF Policies
1. Proximity of main towns* or of Key Service Centres** to waste arisings	Within 5 miles of the centre Within 5 - 10 miles of the (by road) centre of main towns or of Key Service Centres Greater than 10 miles from a town or Key Service Centre	✓✓		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	Will the option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - reduce waste miles by road and promote the movement of waste by rail and limit or reduce the emission of climate change gases and other air pollutants as a result? 	CS1, CS7, GDC1
2. Accessibility facilities	Access to existing rail network Potential for rail access Access to proposed primary road network Good local road accessibility			NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste SP2 – To improve access to services, facilities the countryside and open spaces	Will the option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - improve access to recycling and composting services, where possible - within local communities using sustainable transport choices? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - reduce waste miles by road and promote the movement of waste by rail and limit or reduce the emission of climate change gases and other air pollutants as a result? 	CS1
3. Sequential approach	Previously developed land Greenfield Allocated for waste management or employment use and at a town or key service centre	✓		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR3 – To restore and protect land and soil	Will the option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - include measures to avoid soil degradation and pollution? - encourage the siting of waste management facilities on brownfield land? 	

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Relevant MWDF Policies
Allocated for waste management or employment use but not at a town or key service centre	✓✓	The site has been laid out with roads and infrastructure for further development.	- seek to protect good quality agricultural land and greenfield sites as far as possible? Account will have to be taken of the proportion of brownfield land in the assessment	No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
4. No owner objection	✓✓	Owner objection exists		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste	Will the option: - alleviate flooding and flood contamination of water resources?	
5. Flood Risk	Zone 1 or no flood risk Zone 2 Zone 3a Zone 3b (functional floodplain)	✓✓		NR2 – To improve water quality and resources EN3 – To improve the quality/risk of flooding elsewhere? of the built environment	- be in an area at risk from flooding and/or be likely to create a higher risk of flooding elsewhere?	
6. Other land uses	Conflict unlikely with other land use Conflict likely with other land use	x	Consideration needed for its primarily business park use.	No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
7. Co-location potential	Large enough to accommodate more than one facility Not large enough to accommodate more than one facility	x	The take up of available industrial units would preclude more than one facility.	NR1 - To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions NR3 – To restore and protect land and soil	Will the option: - minimise loss of greenfield sites or areas of open space? Will site location criteria minimise the need for transport?	

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				NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste SP5 - To improve the health and sense of well being of people	Will the option: - ensure that local air quality is not adversely affected by pollution? NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	
8. Proximity to Housing	No houses within 250 metres	✓✓	Houses within 250 metres	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	Will the option: - minimise adverse impacts on species and habitats through human activities and development? EN1 – To protect and enhance biodiversity EN2 – To preserve enhance frameworks such as river corridors, coastal habitats, uplands, woodlands and scrub to enable free passage of specific habitat dependent species?	
9. Environmental Assets	European/National sites, species or habitats Potential to enhance No impact Indirect adverse (site outside designated area) Direct adverse (site directly within designated area)			NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste EN1 – To protect and enhance biodiversity EN2 – To preserve enhance frameworks such as river corridors, coastal habitats, uplands, woodlands and scrub to enable free passage of specific habitat dependent species?	Will the option: - take account of the impacts of climate change on biodiversity?	
	Local sites or priority species/habitats Potential to enhance No impact Requires mitigation/compensatory measures - Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)					

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic Score Comment/Explanation/ Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria Relevant MWDF Policies
Requires compensatory measures for Direct adverse impact (site directly within designated area)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect and conserve habitats and species especially where these may be rare, declining, threatened or indigenous? - ensure biodiversity sustainability by enhancing conditions wherever necessary to retain viability of the resource? 	<p>Will the option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect local landscape quality, distinctiveness and character - protect from unsympathetic development? - maintain the remoteness and tranquility of landscapes? <p>NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste</p> <p>EN2 – To preserve, enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations</p> <p>EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect the appearance of world heritage sites, designated archaeological sites, historic parks and gardens, battlefields and their settings? - protect areas of high archaeological and historic landscape sensitivity? - factor in anticipated impacts of extreme weather events on landscape character and other valued assets?
10. Visual and landscape Impact	<p>Site not likely to impact on nationally designated landscape areas – Heritage Coasts, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and National Parks</p> <p>Site likely to adversely impact on nationally designated landscape areas</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Revert MWDF Policies
11. Likely to be part of, or aid Economic regeneration and/or Potential safeguard jobs	✓	The development of the site has the potential to create a small number of jobs. The potential impact on business park uses may need to be considered.	<p>NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste</p> <p>EC1 – To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities</p> <p>EC2 – To improve access to jobs</p> <p>EC3 – To diversify and strengthen the local economy</p>	<p>Will the option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - stimulate private sector investment generally and within the waste management sector? - stimulate diversification within the waste management sector? - stimulate innovation and research relating to emerging waste management technologies? 	
12. Not affecting safeguarding procedures/zones*** Conflict with safeguarding procedures/zones	?	The site falls within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) consultation area	No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	<p>Summary of overall assessment: In recent consultations, the site area was reduced to that which has been laid out as a business park. The County Council has an option on one parcel of land as a waste transfer station, but there is an existing planning permission for one at the nearby Flusco waste management complex, which is considered to be a more appropriate location.</p>

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ED5 Flusco Lodge Quarry, Stainton

846 This site, partly within the National Park, has been suggested for consideration for waste management facilities and for aggregate and building stone quarrying. This is a site in the open countryside, away from settlements, and whilst a former quarry and brickworks, it is not considered to be a suitable location for a built waste management facility - this is not a preferred site.

Environmental assets

847 The site lies 1.2km from the River Eden and Tributaries SAC and SSSI; 1.3km from the disused railway cutting near Newbiggin County Wildlife Site and 1.5km from the Dalemain Meadow CWS; 650m from Eveningbank Wood and 1.3km from Langfield Wood, both Ancient Woodland; it is adjacent to an area of hay meadows and pastures UK priority habitat and is 1.4km from semi-natural woodland UK priority habitat; a Special Roadside Verge is 50m away, on the other side of the A66. It is also 500m from Dalemain House and grounds - Registered Historic Park and Garden, the Lake District National Park boundary runs across the southern part of the site.

848 The Greystoke red squirrel buffer lies around 2.2km away. There are records of brown hares and badgers in the immediate vicinity.

849 A public footpath runs along the western edge of the site.

Enhancement potential

850 Potential for habitat creation/enhancement.

851 Information is required on the extent of modern disturbance - some archaeological mitigation may be needed.

Flood map zone

852 No flood risk identified.

Safeguarding

853 No safeguarding issues have been identified.

Agricultural Land Classification

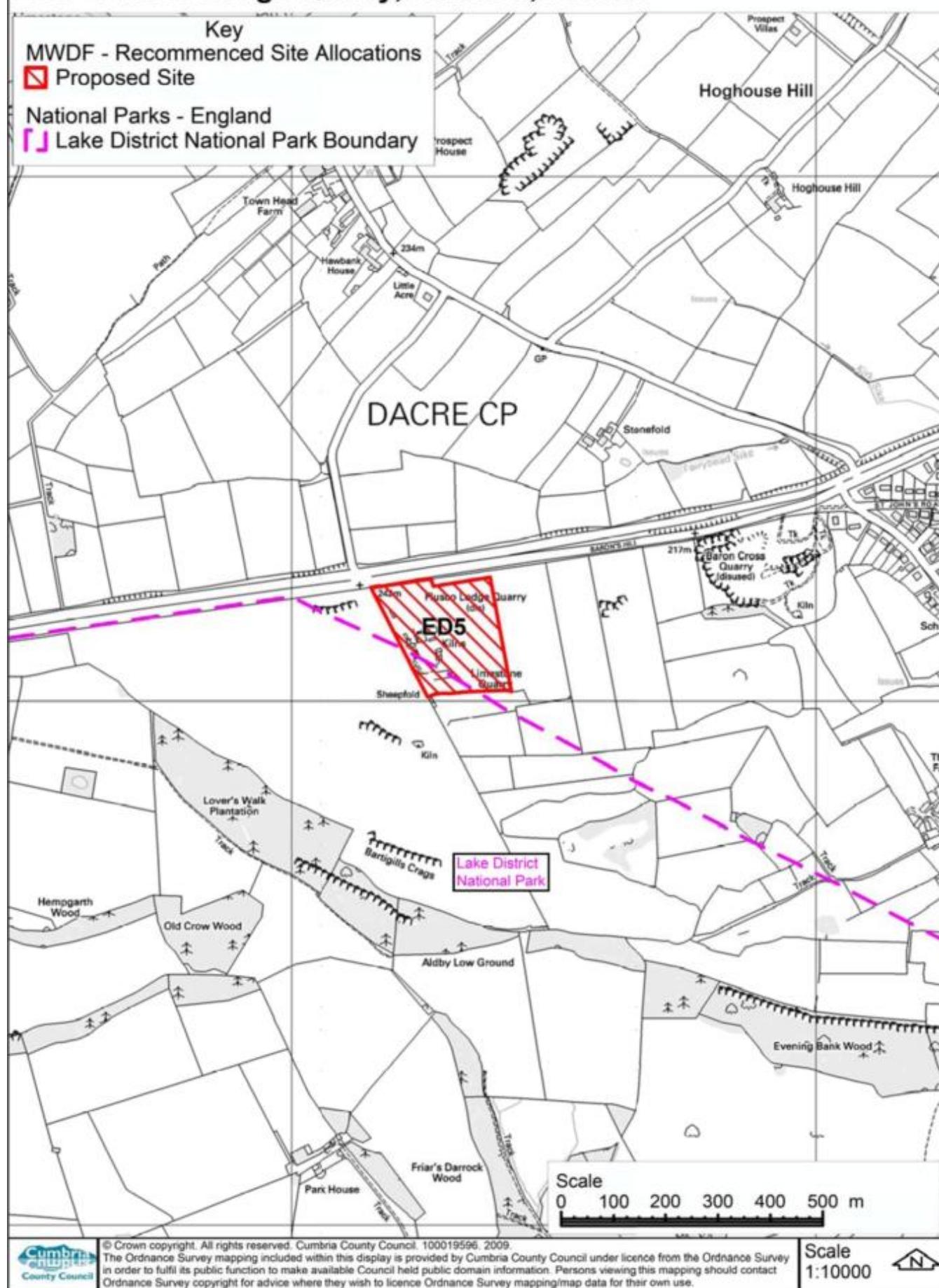
854 Grade 4 - less than 20% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Sequential approach

855 Part brownfield, not at a town or Key Service Centre.

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ED5 - Flusco Lodge Quarry, Stainton, Penrith



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WASTE MANAGEMENT SITE CORING MATRIX - ED5 Flusco Lodge Quarry, Stainton

Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Relevant MWDF Policies
1. Proximity to main towns* or of Key Service Centres** to waste	Within 5 miles of the centre of main towns* or of Key Service Centres** Within 5 - 10 miles of the centre of main towns or of Key Service Centres (by road) Greater than 10 miles from a town or Key Service Centre	✓✓		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	Will the option: - reduce waste miles by road and promote the movement of waste by rail and limit or reduce the emission of climate change gases and other air pollutants as a result?	CS1, CS7, GDC1
2. Access	Access to existing rail facilities Access to existing primary road network Potential for rail access	✓✓ xx	Site access details, including visibility splays, may be an issue.	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste SP2 – To improve access to services, facilities the countryside and open spaces	Will the option: - improve access to recycling and composting services, where possible within local communities using sustainable transport choices? - reduce waste miles by road and promote the movement of waste by rail and limit or reduce the emission of climate change gases and other air pollutants as a result?	CS1
3. Spatial	Previously developed land (Brownfield) Greenfield		Although most of the site is brownfield, that part within the National Park is greenfield	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR3 – To restore and protect land and soil	Will the option: - include measures to avoid soil degradation and pollution? - encourage the siting of waste management facilities on brownfield land?	

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Relevant MWDF Policies
Allocated for waste management or employment use and at a town or key service centre				- seek to protect good quality agricultural land and greenfield sites as far as possible?		
Allocated for waste management or employment use but not at a town or key service centre	xx			Account will have to be taken of the proportion of brownfield land in the assessment		
4. No owner objection	✓✓			No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
Deleted 5. Owner objection exists				NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste	Will the option:	
5. Zone 1 or no flood risk	✓✓			NR2 – To improve water quality and resources	- alleviate flooding and flood contamination of water resources?	
Flood Risk				EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment	- be in an area at risk from flooding and/or be likely to create a higher risk elsewhere?	
Zone 2						
Zone 3a						
Zone 3b (functional floodplain)						
6. Conflict unlikely with other land uses	✓✓			No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
Other land use						
Conflict likely with other land uses						
7. Large enough to accommodate more than one facility	✓✓			NR1 - To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions	Will the option:	
Contract potential				NR3 – To restore and protect land and soil	- minimise loss of greenfield sites or areas of open space?	
Not large enough to accommodate more than one facility					Will site location criteria minimise the need for transport?	

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				NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste SP5 - To improve the health and sense of well being of people		
8. Priority to Housing	No houses within 250 metres	✓✓	Houses within 250 metres to Housing	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	Will the option: - ensure that local air quality is not adversely affected by pollution? - limit the negative impact on people's health and well being?	
9. Environment	Local sites or priority species/habitats		Potential to enhance Assets	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste EN1 – To protect and enhance biodiversity	Will the option: - minimise adverse impacts on species and habitats through human activities and development? - ensure continuity of ecological frameworks such as river corridors, coastal habitats, uplands, woodlands and scrub to enable free passage of specific habitat dependent species?	
			Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)	EN2 – To preserve enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations		
			Direct adverse (site directly within designated area)			
			Potential to enhance Assets			
			No impact	✓		

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	ScoreComment/Explanation/ Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria Relevant MWDF Policies
	Requires mitigation/compensatory measures - Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect and conserve habitats and species especially where these may be rare, declining, threatened or indigenous? 	
	Requires compensatory measures for Direct adverse impact (site directly within designated area)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ensure biodiversity sustainability by enhancing conditions wherever necessary to retain viability of the resource? 	
10.	Visual Impact Nationally designated landscape areas – Heritage Coasts, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and National Parks		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste EN2 – To preserve, enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations	Will the option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect local landscape quality, distinctiveness and character protected from unsympathetic development? - maintain the remoteness and tranquility of landscapes?
	Site likely to adversely impact on nationally designated landscape areas	x	EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect the appearance of world heritage sites, designated archaeological sites, historic parks and gardens, battlefields and their settings? - protect areas of high archaeological and historic landscape sensitivity? - factor in anticipated impacts of extreme weather events on landscape character and other valued assets?

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Relevant MWDF Policies
11. Likely to be part of, or aid Economic regeneration and/or safeguard Potential jobs	Demonstrable adverse impact on inward investment	✓	The development of the site has the potential to create a small number of jobs.	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste EC1 – To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities EC2 – To improve access to jobs EC3 – To diversify and strengthen the local economy	Will the option: - stimulate private sector investment generally and within the waste management sector? - stimulate diversification within the waste management sector? - stimulate innovation and research relating to emerging waste management technologies?	
12. Not affecting safeguarding procedures/zones***	Conflict with safeguarding procedures/zones	?		No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	Summary of overall assessment: Direct access onto A66 may be an issue for Highways Agency. This is a site in the open countryside, away from settlements, and whilst a former quarry and brickworks, it is not considered to be a suitable location for a built waste management facility.

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ED32 Blencow, former parish quarry, Newbiggin

856 This site was put forward for consideration for landfill. It is not a preferred option.

Environmental assets

- 857 Newton Reigny Moss SSSI, which is also a Cumbria Wildlife Trust Reserve, a Site of Invertebrate Significance and fen, marsh & swamp UK priority habitat, is around 1.7km from the site; the disused railway line Near Newbiggin County Wildlife Site is around 1.3km away and the roadside verge near Newbiggin CWS, which is also an area of hay meadows and pastures UK Priority Habitat, is around 480m away.
- 858 There are records for great crested newts, red squirrels, brown hares and noctule bats in the vicinity. The Greystoke red squirrel buffer zone lies 280m to the west.

Enhancement potential

859 Potential for great crested newt and bat habitat enhancement.

860 Information required on the historic quarry - some archaeological mitigation may be required.

Flood map zone

861 No flood risk identified.

Agricultural Land Classification

862 Grade 4 - less than 20% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Safeguarding

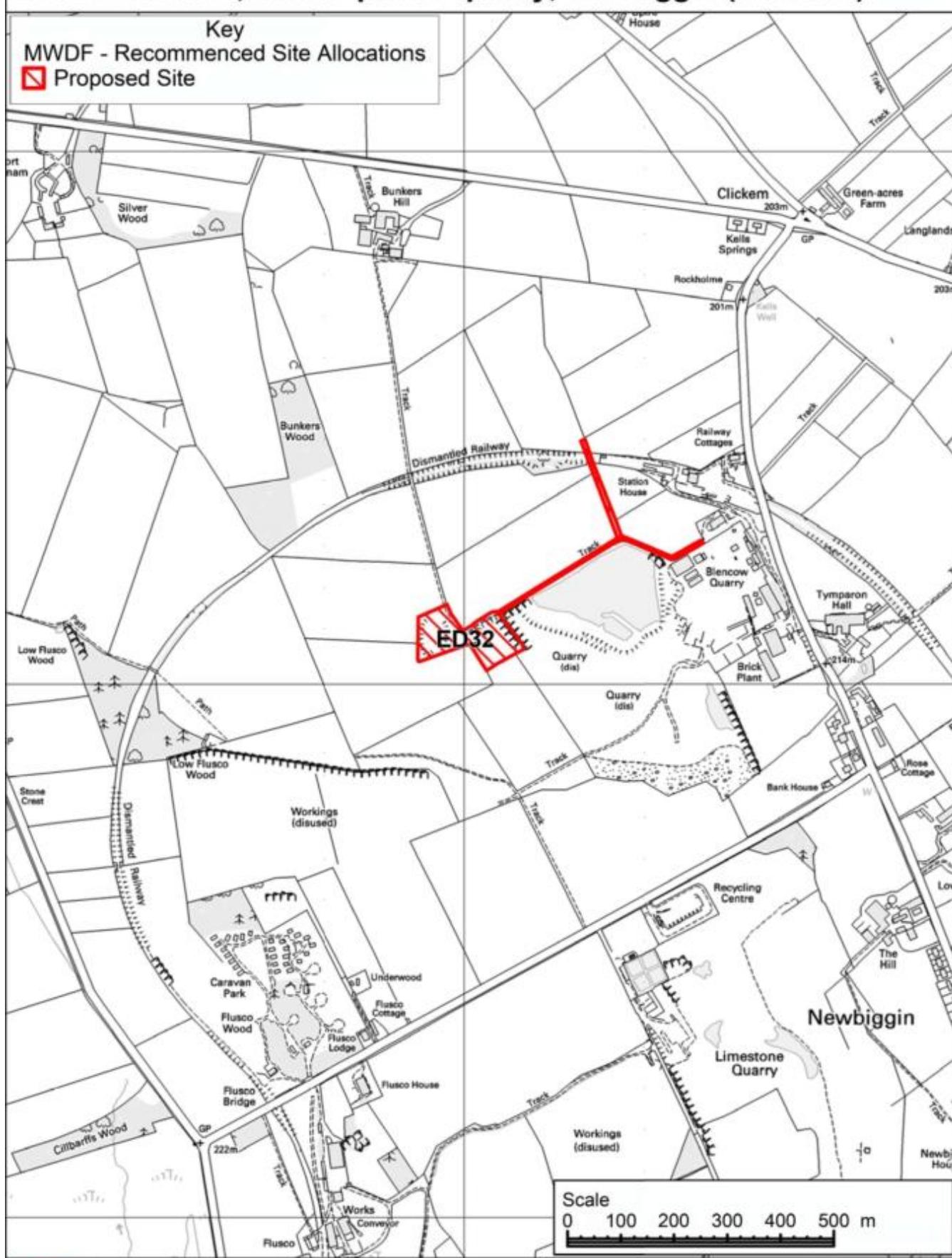
863 Falls within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) safeguarding area and is approximately 400m south of the Carlisle Airport 30km safeguarding area.

Sequential approach

864 These are small, former parish quarries disused for many years and now reclaimed by nature. Not at a town or Key Service Centre.

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ED32 - Blencow, former parish quarry, Newbiggin (Stainton)



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WASTE MANAGEMENT SITE SCORING MATRIX - ED32 Blencow, former parish quarry, Newbiggin

Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic Score /Issues	Comment/Explanation	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Recent MWDF Policies
1. Proximity of main towns* or of Key to waste Service Centres** arisings (by road)	Within 5 miles of the centre Within 5 - 10 miles of the centre of main towns or of Key Service Centres Greater than 10 miles from a town or Key Service Centre	✓✓	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	Will the option: - reduce waste miles by road and promote the movement of waste by rail and limit or reduce the emission of climate change gases and other air pollutants as a result?	CS1, CS7, GDC1
2. Accessibility facilities	Access to existing rail network Potential for rail access	✓ xx	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste SP2 – To improve access to services, facilities the countryside and open spaces	Will the option: - improve access to recycling and composting services, where possible - within local communities using sustainable transport choices? - reduce waste miles by road and promote the movement of waste by rail and limit or reduce the emission of climate change gases and other air pollutants as a result?	CS1
3. Previously developed land Sequential (Brownfield) approach	Greenfield	x	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR3 – To restore and protect land and soil	Will the option: - include measures to avoid soil degradation and pollution? - encourage the siting of waste management facilities on brownfield land?	

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Site selection criteria	Comment/Explanation /Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Recent MWDF Policies
Allocated for waste management or employment use and at a town or key service centre			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - seek to protect good quality agricultural land and greenfield sites as far as possible? <p>Account will have to be taken of the proportion of brownfield land in the assessment</p>	
Allocated for waste management or employment use but not at a town or key service centre	xx			
4. Deliverability	No owner objection	? Site owned by Parish Council and is common land.	No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria
5. Flood Risk	Owner objection exists		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste	Will the option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - alleviate flooding and flood contamination of water resources?
	Zone 1 or no flood risk	vv	NR2 – To improve water quality and resources	- be in an area at risk from flooding and/or be likely to create a higher risk of flooding elsewhere?
	Zone 2			
	Zone 3a			
	Zone 3b (functional floodplain)			
6. Other land uses	Conflict unlikely with other land use	vv	No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria
	Conflict likely with other land use			
7. Co-location potential	Large enough to accommodate more than one facility	xx	NR1 - To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions	Will the option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - minimise loss of greenfield sites or areas of open space?
	Not large enough to accommodate more than one facility		NR3 – To restore and protect land and soil	Will site location criteria minimise the need for transport?

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Site selection criteria	Comment/Explanation /Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Revert MWDF Policies
	the site to modern standards for deposit, even of inert waste, uneconomic.	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste SP5 - To improve the health and sense of well being of people	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ensure that local air quality is not adversely affected by pollution? - limit the negative impact on people's health and well being?
8. Proximity to Housing	No houses within 250 metres Houses within 250 metres	x There are no houses within 250m of the potential landfill area.	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ensure that local air quality is not adversely affected by pollution? - limit the negative impact on people's health and well being?
9. Environment	Assets Potential to enhance No impact Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)	EN1 – To protect and enhance biodiversity EN2 – To preserve enhance frameworks such as river corridors, coastal habitats, uplands, woodlands and scrub to enable free passage of specific habitat dependent species?	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste EN1 – To protect and enhance biodiversity EN2 – To preserve enhance frameworks such as river corridors, coastal habitats, uplands, woodlands and scrub to enable free passage of specific habitat dependent species?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - minimise adverse impacts on species and habitats through human activities and development? - ensure continuity of ecological frameworks such as river corridors, coastal habitats, uplands, woodlands and scrub to enable free passage of specific habitat dependent species? - take account of the impacts of climate change on biodiversity?
	Local sites or priority species/habitats Direct adverse (site directly within designated area) Potential to enhance No impact Requires mitigation/compensatory measures - Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)	? The site may have great crested newts present.		

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Site selection/Characteristic criteria	Comment/Explanation Score /Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Recent MWDF Policies
Requires compensatory measures for Direct adverse impact (site directly within designated area)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect and conserve habitats and species especially where these may be rare, declining, threatened or indigenous? - ensure biodiversity sustainability by enhancing conditions wherever necessary to retain viability of the resource? 	<p>NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste</p> <p>EN2 – To preserve, enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations</p> <p>EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment</p> <p>Will the option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect local landscape quality, distinctiveness and character - maintain the remoteness and tranquility of landscapes? - protect the appearance of world heritage sites, designated archaeological sites, historic parks and gardens, battlefields and their settings? - protect areas of high archaeological and historic landscape sensitivity? - factor in anticipated impacts of extreme weather events on landscape character and other valued assets? 	
10. Visual and landscape Impact	<p>Site not likely to impact on nationally designated landscape areas – Heritage Coasts, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and National Parks</p> <p>Site likely to adversely impact on nationally designated landscape areas</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

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Site selection/Description/Characteristic criteria	Comment/Explanation /Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Revert MWDF Policies
11. Likely to be part of, or aid Economic regeneration and/or Potential safeguard jobs	<p>0 Very small site.</p> <p>Demonstrable adverse impact on inward investment</p>	<p>NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste</p> <p>EC1 – To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities</p> <p>EC2 – To improve access to jobs</p> <p>EC3 – To diversify and strengthen the local economy</p>	<p>Will the option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - stimulate private sector investment generally and within the waste management sector? - stimulate diversification within the waste management sector? - stimulate innovation and research relating to emerging waste management technologies? 	
12. Safeguarding procedures/zones***	Conflict with safeguarding procedures/zones	?	Development at the site is unlikely to affect the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2)	

Summary of overall assessment: Overgrown, former small Parish quarries, long since disused. Considered too small to be developed as a viable landfill; likely issues of protected species.

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ED33 Tebay former rail sidings

- 865 This site was not identified in the 2007 consultations. It was a first preference for built waste management treatment facilities, which could have included a Materials Recovery Facility and an Energy from Waste plant. This is a small site and facilities would have been relatively small scale. However, the company that had put this site forward has now withdrawn its interest, so this is not a preferred site.
- 866 This is a sensitive site, for example, because of its location near Listed Buildings and access through the village. It is allocated for employment use. It is considered that the matters raised in the consultations would need to be addressed in the planning application process. It seems unrealistic that the site could be reconnected to the rail network.
- 867 The Habitats Regulations Assessment concludes that this site would not have impacts on the North Pennine Dales Meadows SAC, Lake District High Fells SAC or Asby Complex SAC.
- 868 Wildlife surveys would be needed.

Summary of comments from the Regulation 25 consultation stage

- 869 Comments received during this consultation were: that reconnection to the rail network might be an issue to be considered; the highway authority considers the access road and junction are acceptable, but traffic restrictions may be advisable to avoid the junior school opening and closing times; the parish council strongly opposes a waste incinerator in the heart of the village, considers the access roads are not suitable, that there is a public footpath through the site, it is too near the school, existing residences and a proposed residential site, that any emissions could be held in the valley, which experiences cloud and fog, which could be a hazard on the M6, and that a recent proposal for cedar wood chalets has been turned down as detrimental to the environment; there are records for badgers, otters, bats and polecats - compensation/mitigation may be needed; Tebay is a railway village; St James' Church, paid for by railway money, is a Listed Building and the proposed development would be likely to harm its setting, which should be protected; and that the site falls within the River Lune Drinking Water Catchment, so any activity that potentially causes pollution of drinking water should be discussed with United Utilities.

Environmental assets

- 870 The site lies 480m (on the other side of the M6 motorway) from Pikestone Lane Meadows County Wildlife Site and 1.4km from Coalflatt Hall CWS.
- 871 Two Listed Buildings are close by - the Church of St James is 95m away and the gates to its churchyard are 50m away. A Scheduled Ancient Monument, Castle Howe, lies 660m away, on the other side of the M6.

Enhancement potential

- 872 Limited potential.

Flood map zone

- 873 Flood zone 2 affects part of the site and zone 3 is adjacent.

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Agricultural Land Classification

874 Grade 4 - less than 20% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Safeguarding

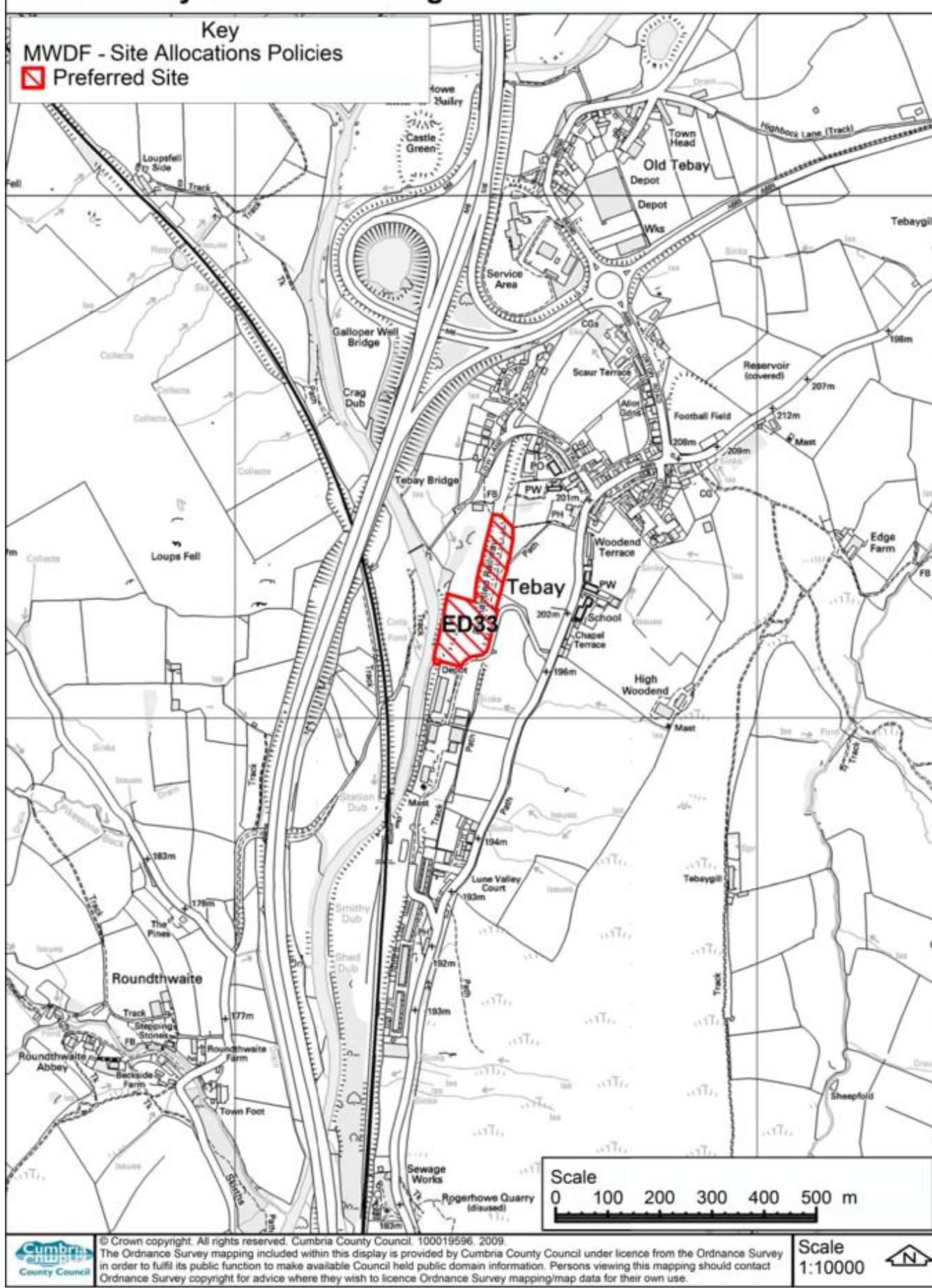
875 The site lies within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) safeguarding zone.

Sequential approach

876 Brownfield site within 10 miles of a town.

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ED33 - Tebay former rail sidings



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WASTE MANAGEMENT SITE SCORING MATRIX - ED33 Tebay former rail sidings

Site selection criteria	Description/ Characteristic	Score	Comment/ Explanation/ Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Recent MWDF Policies
1. Proximity of main towns* or of Key to waste Service Centres** to arisings (by road)	Within 5 miles of the centre of main towns* or of Key Service Centres Within 5 - 10 miles of the centre of main towns or of Key Service Centres	✓	Approximately 10 miles to both Kendal and Kirkby Stephen Greater than 10 miles from a town or Key Service Centre	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	Will the option: - reduce waste miles by road and promote the movement of waste by rail and limit or reduce the emission of climate change gases and other air pollutants as a result?	CS1, CS7, GDC1
2. Accessibility facilities	Access to existing rail network Potential for rail access	✓ x	Approx 1km from M6 junction 38, but through Tebay. Remainder of former sidings land has been developed.	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste SP2 – To improve access to within local communities using sustainable transport choices	Will the option: - improve access to recycling and composting services, where possible - reduce waste miles by road and promote the movement of waste by rail and limit or reduce the emission of climate change gases and other air pollutants as a result?	CS1
3. Sequential approach	Previously developed land (Brownfield) Greenfield Allocated for waste management or employment use and at a town or key service centre	✓✓		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR3 – To restore and protect land and soil	Will the option: - include measures to avoid soil degradation and pollution? - encourage the siting of waste management facilities on brownfield land?	

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Site selection criteria	Description/ Characteristic	Score	Comment/ Explanation/ Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Relevant MWDF Policies
	Allocated for waste management or employment use but not at a town or key service centre	✓	Allocated for employment use in the Eden Local Plan.		- seek to protect good quality agricultural land and greenfield sites as far as possible? Account will have to be taken of the proportion of brownfield land in the assessment	
4.	No owner objection	?		No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
5. Flood Risk	Owner objection exists Zone 1 or no flood risk Zone 2	x	Margins of site within Zone 2; not considered to be an issue. Zone 3a Zone 3b (functional floodplain)	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR2 – To improve water quality and resources EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment	Will the option: - alleviate flooding and flood contamination of water resources? - be in an area at risk from flooding and/or be likely to create a higher risk of flooding elsewhere?	
6. Other land uses	Conflict unlikely with other land use Conflict likely with other land use	✓✓		No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
7. Co-location	Large enough to accommodate more than one potential facility Not large enough to accommodate more than one facility	✓✓	Suggested for a Materials Recovery Facility and Energy from Waste.	NR1 - To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions NR3 – To restore and protect land and soil	Will the option: - minimise loss of greenfield sites or areas of open space? Will site location criteria minimise the need for transport?	

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				NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste SP5 - To improve the health and sense of well being of people		
8.	Proximity to Housing No houses within 250 metres Houses within 250 metres	xx	Much of Tebay village is within 250m.	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	Will the option: - ensure that local air quality is not adversely affected by pollution? - limit the negative impact on people's health and well being?	
9.	Environment Potential to enhance Assets			NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste EN1 – To protect and enhance biodiversity Wildlife surveys needed.	Will the option: - minimise adverse impacts on species and habitats through human activities and development? - ensure continuity of ecological frameworks such as river corridors, coastal habitats, uplands, woodlands and scrub to enable free passage of specific habitat dependent species? - take account of the impacts of climate change on biodiversity?	
				Indirect adverse (site outside designated area) Direct adverse (site directly within designated area) Local sites or priority species/habitats Potential to enhance		

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Site selection criteria	Description/ Characteristic	Score	Comment/ Explanation/ Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Relevant MWDF Policies
	No impact	✓	Wildlife surveys needed.			
	Requires mitigation/ compensatory measures - Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)					
	Requires compensatory measures for Direct adverse impact (site directly within designated area)					
10. Visual and landscape Impact	Site not likely to impact on nationally designated landscape areas – Heritage Coasts, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and national Parks	✓✓		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste EN2 – To preserve, enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations	Will the option: - protect local landscape quality, distinctiveness and character - maintain the remoteness and tranquility of landscapes?	
	Site likely to adversely impact on nationally designated landscape areas			EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment	- protect the appearance of world heritage sites, designated archaeological sites, historic parks and gardens, battlefields and their settings? - protect areas of high archaeological and historic landscape sensitivity? - factor in anticipated impacts of extreme weather events on landscape character and other valued assets?	

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Site selection criteria	Description/ Characteristic Score	Comment/ Explanation/ Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Revert MWDF Policies
11. Likely to be part of, or aid Economic regeneration and/or Potential safeguard jobs	✓✓	The development of the site has the potential to maintain existing jobs in a skip hire and waste management business.	<p>NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste</p> <p>EC1 – To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities</p> <p>EC2 – To improve access to jobs</p> <p>EC3 – To diversify and strengthen the local economy</p>	<p>Will the option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - stimulate private sector investment generally and within the waste management sector? - stimulate diversification within the waste management sector? - stimulate innovation and research relating to emerging waste management technologies? 	
12. Safeguarding procedures/zones***	Conflict with safeguarding procedures/zones		?	Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) consultation area, impacts considered unlikely.	<p>No directly related SA objectives</p> <p>No directly related SA criteria</p> <p>Summary of overall assessment: Site suggested for the urgent relocation of a business currently in Kendal. Convenient for M6, but access would be through Tebay or along the A685 Appleby road There may be wildlife issues.</p>

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M20 Helbeck Quarry, Brough

- 877 This small extension to the existing quarry, within a very sensitive area, was put forward for geo-technical reasons related to slope stability and not to provide additional reserves. It is considered that the issues raised need to be addressed through the planning application process rather than this Development Framework.

Environmental assets

- 878 The site is adjacent to the North Pennine Moors SPA, the Moor House-Upper Teesdale SAC, the Helbeck and Swindale Woods SAC, which is also semi-natural woodland UK priority habitat, the Appleby Fells SSSI, Helbeck Wood & Swindale Wood SSSI and Swindale Ancient Woodland. The site is also adjacent to an area of calcareous grassland UK priority habitat. It is within the North Pennines AONB. Yosgill Wood Ancient Woodland lies 500m away; Augill Beck Ancient Woodland is 1.3km; and Stepping Stones Ancient Woodland is 2km away.
- 879 Church Brough Conservation Area is 2km away. The closest Scheduled Ancient Monument - Brough Castle and Borough Roman Fort and Civil Settlement - is just over 2km away.
- 880 A bridleway runs adjacent to the site.

Enhancement potential

- 881 Limited potential.
- 882 No archaeological work recommended.

Flood map zone

- 883 No identified flood risk.

Agricultural Land Classification

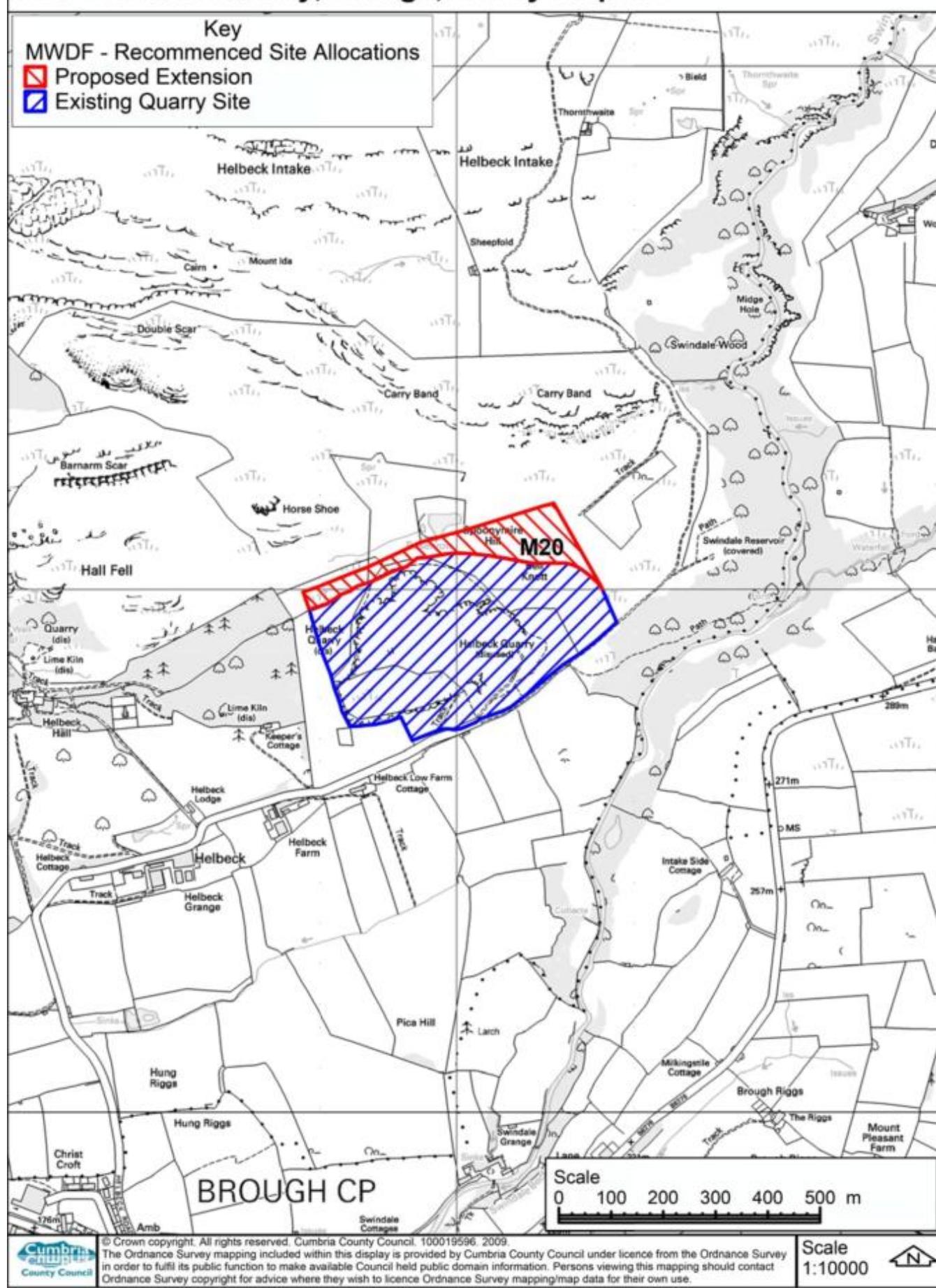
- 884 Grade 5 - less than 20% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Safeguarding

- 885 The site lies within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) consultation areas.

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M20 - Helbeck Quarry, Brough, Kirkby Stephen



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MINERALS SITE SCORING MATRIX - M20 Helbeck Quarry, Brough

Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Recent MWDF Policies
1. Accessibility	facilities			NR4 – To manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste	Will the option: - minimise the need for the transport of minerals and aggregates?	CS1
	Access to existing rail road network	xx	This quarry is only around 2km from the A66, but access is through Brough.	SP5 - To improve the health and sense of well being of people		
	Potential for rail access	xx				
	Access to proposed primary road network					
	Good local road accessibility					
2. Deliverability	No owner objection Owner objection exists	?		No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
3. Flood Risk	Zone 1 or no flood risk Zone 2 Zone 3a Zone 3b (functional floodplain)	✓✓		NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR2 – To protect and improve water quality and resources EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment	Will the option: - alleviate flooding and flood contamination of water resources? - be in an area at risk from flooding and/or be likely to create a higher risk of flooding elsewhere?	See GDC policy 13 – Flood Risk
4. Other land uses	Conflict unlikely with other land use Conflict likely with other land use Not large enough to accommodate more than one facility	✓✓		No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Revert MWDF Policies
5. Proximity to Housing	No houses within 250 metres	x	One house (Keepers Cottage)	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people	Will the option: - ensure that local air quality is not adversely affected by pollution? - limit the negative impact on people's health and well being?	
6. Environmental Assets	Potential to enhance No impact Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)		EN1 – To protect and enhance biodiversity EN2 – To preserve, enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations	Will the option: - protect and conserve habitats and species especially where these may be rare, declining, threatened or indigenous? - ensure biodiversity sustainability by enhancing conditions wherever necessary to retain viability of the resource? - minimise adverse impacts on species and habitats through human activities and development?		
	Direct adverse (site directly within designated area)					
	Local site or for biodiversity priority species/habitat					
	Potential to enhance No impact Requires mitigation/compensatory measures - Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)					

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Relevant MWDF Policies
Requires mitigation/compensatory measures for Direct adverse impact (site directly within designated area)	7. Visual and landscape Impact	Site not likely to impact on nationally designated Coasts, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and National Parks	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste EN2 – To preserve, enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations	Will the option: - protect local landscape quality, distinctiveness and character from unsympathetic development? - maintain the remoteness and tranquility of landscapes?	- protect local landscape quality, distinctiveness and character from unsympathetic development? - protect the appearance of world heritage sites, designated archaeological sites, historic parks and gardens, battlefields and their settings? - protect areas of high archaeological and historic landscape sensitivity? - factor in anticipated impacts of extreme weather events on landscape character and other valued assets? - conserve features of historic and architectural importance?
		Site likely to adversely impact on nationally designated landscape areas	X Within the North Pennines AONB	EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment	

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Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Revert MWDF Policies
8. Likely to be part of, or aid Economic regeneration and/or Potential safeguard jobs	Likely to safeguard a small number of jobs.	✓	Demonstrable adverse impact on inward investment	<p>NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste</p> <p>EC1 – To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities</p> <p>EC2 – To improve access to jobs</p> <p>EC3 – To diversify and strengthen the local economy</p>	<p>Will the option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - promote energy efficiency, the use of locally sourced materials and low impact operation? - stimulate private sector investment? - stimulate economic diversification? - stimulate innovation and research? 	
9. Safeguarding procedures/zones*	Not affecting safeguarding		Conflict with safeguarding procedures/zones	?	Falls within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) consultation area – unlikely to cause an impact.	No directly related SA objectives

Summary of overall assessment: This small extension to the existing quarry within a very sensitive area has been put forward for geo-technical reasons related to slope stability. It is considered that the issues raised need to be addressed through the planning application process rather than this Development Framework. Habitats Regulations Assessment would be needed.

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- 886 This site was put forward for consideration as an Area of Search. In accordance with the Core Strategy, no further provision is being made for crushed rock for general aggregate use and it is not a preferred site. This is a very sensitive area for wildlife and landscape and a gas pipeline raises safeguarding issues. The site is within the limestone Minerals Safeguarding Area.

Summary of comments from previous consultation stages

- 887 The quarry has excellent transport links to the M6 motorway and the A6, with the additional benefit of being rail linked.

Summary of comments from the Regulation 25 consultation stage

- 888 Objection because of international, national and county level sites of ecological interest. The special circumstances of its location merit its inclusion as an Area of Search.

Environmental assets

- 889 The existing quarry and part of the extension are within the Crosby Ravensworth Fell SSSI, which is also an area of calcareous grassland UK priority habitat, and the Asby Complex SAC, with its Limestone Pavement Order. The extension would be partly within the Hardendale Meadows County Wildlife Site and is 1km from an area of heathland UK priority habitat. There are complicated issues of hydrogeology.

- 890 A small area of common land lies within the identified extension area.

- 891 Several public footpaths run through the site.

Enhancement potential

- 892 Unlikely in view of existing interests.

Flood map zone

- 893 No identified flood risk.

Agricultural Land Classification

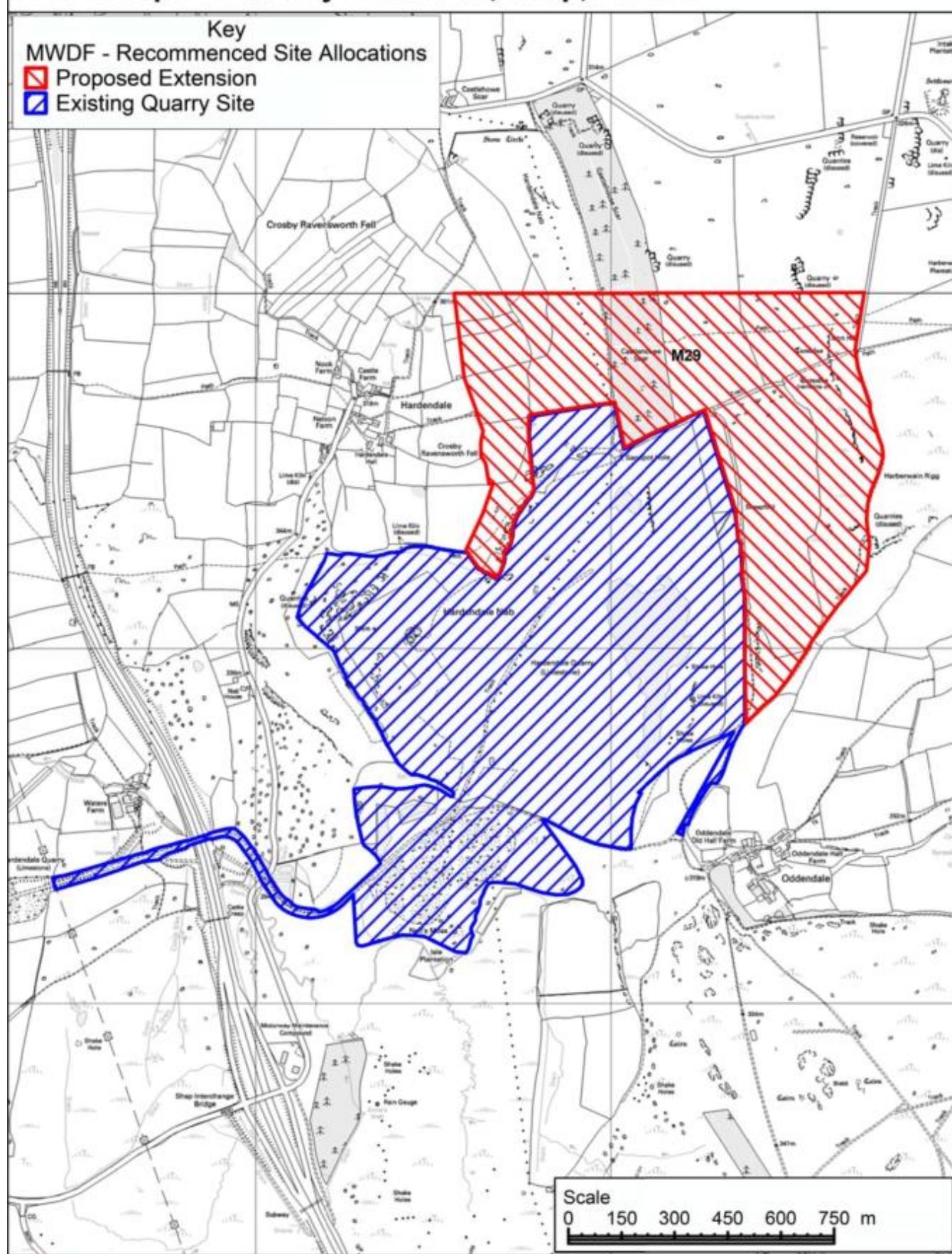
- 894 Grade 4 - less than 20% likelihood that this is Best and Most Versatile land.

Safeguarding

- 895 The site lies within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) consultation area and the Borrowdale to Newby (2) gas pipeline crosses the site.

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MINERALS SITE SCORING MATRIX - M29 Shap Fell Quarry extension, Shap

Site selection criteria	Description/Characteristic	Score	Comment/Explanation/Issues	Relevant SA Objectives	SA Criteria	Recent MWDF Policies
1. Accessibility facilities	Access to existing rail	✓✓		NR4 – To manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste	Will the option: - minimise the need for the transport of minerals and aggregates?	CS1
	Access to existing primary road network	✓✓	Potential for rail access	SP5 - To improve the health and sense of well being of people		
	Access to proposed primary road network		Good local road accessibility			
2. Deliverability	No owner objection	✓✓	Owner objection exists	No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
3. Flood Risk	Zone 1 or no flood risk	✓✓	Zone 2	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste	Will the option: - alleviate flooding and flood contamination of water resources?	See GDC policy 13 – Flood Risk
	Zone 3a		Zone 3b (functional floodplain)	NR2 – To protect and improve water quality and resources	- be in an area at risk from flooding and/or be likely to create a higher risk of flooding elsewhere?	
				EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment		
4. Other land uses	Conflict unlikely with other land use	✓✓	Conflict likely with other land use	No directly related SA objectives	No directly related SA criteria	
	Not large enough to accommodate more than one facility					

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5. Proximity Houses within 250 metres to Housing	No houses within 250 metres	NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste	Will the option: - ensure that local air quality is not adversely affected by pollution? NR1 – To improve local air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions SP5 – To improve the health and well being of people
	Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)	EN1 – To protect and enhance biodiversity EN2 – To preserve enhance species and manage landscape quality and character for future generations	Will the option: - protect and conserve habitats and species especially where these may be rare, declining, threatened or indigenous? - ensure biodiversity sustainability by enhancing conditions wherever necessary to retain viability of the resource? - minimise adverse impacts on species and habitats through human activities and development? - ensure continuity of ecological frameworks such as river corridors, coastal habitats, uplands, woodlands and scrub to enable free passage of specific habitat dependent species?
6. Environment Assets	Potential to enhance	River Eden SAC 2.5km away.	xx Requires Habitats Regs Assessment - Asby Complex SAC, Crosby Ravensworth Fell SSSI, Limestone Pavement Order and UK Priority Habitat (Calcareous Grassland) are partly within site.
	No impact		
Local site or for biodiversity priority species/habitat	Potential to enhance		
	No impact		
	Requires mitigation/compensatory measures - Indirect adverse (site outside designated area)		

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Requires mitigation/compensatory measures for Direct adverse impact (site directly within designated area)	x Hardendale Meadows County Wildlife Site partly within site. Public footpaths cross the site.		<p>- take account of the impacts of climate change on biodiversity?</p> <p>NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste</p> <p>EN2 – To preserve, enhance and manage landscape quality and character for future generations</p> <p>EN3 – To improve the quality of the built environment</p>	<p>Will the option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - protect local landscape quality, distinctiveness and character from unsympathetic development? - maintain the remoteness and tranquility of landscapes? - protect the appearance of world heritage sites, designated archaeological sites, historic parks and gardens, battlefields and their settings? - protect areas of high archaeological and historic landscape sensitivity? - factor in anticipated impacts of extreme weather events on landscape character and other valued assets? - conserve features of historic and architectural importance? - promote energy efficiency, the use of locally sourced materials and low impact operation?
7. Visual and landscape Impact	<p>Site not likely to impact on nationally designated landscape areas – Heritage Coasts, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and National Parks</p> <p>Site likely to adversely impact on nationally designated landscape areas</p>			

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8.	Likely to be part of, or aid Economic regeneration and/or Potential safeguarding jobs	✓ Continued supply of aggregates to the local economy and safeguarding direct jobs. Demonstrable adverse impact on inward investment	<p>NR4 – Manage mineral resources sustainably and minimise waste</p> <p>EC1 – To retain existing jobs and create new employment opportunities</p> <p>EC2 – To improve access to jobs</p> <p>EC3 – To diversify and strengthen the local economy</p>
9.	Not affecting safeguarding procedures/zones*	Conflict with safeguarding procedures/zones	<p>No directly related SA objectives</p> <p>xx Gas Pipeline (Borrowdale to Newby - 2) crosses the site and the site is within the Great Dun Fell LRRS Technical Site (2) consultation area.</p>
			<p>Summary of overall assessment: Extension was suggested as a potential source of limestone for general aggregate use, i.e. not high purity limestone. No additional provision is being made for general aggregate crushed rock because of the size of the landbank. This is also a very sensitive area for wildlife and landscape; designated sites are a major constraint. Gas pipeline through site also appears to be a major constraint. Within preferred Minerals Safeguarding Area.</p>

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THE FOLLOWING SITES WERE CONSIDERED, BUT EXCLUDED, AT THE EARLIER STAGES OF THE ISSUES AND OPTIONS DISCUSSION PAPER (2006) AND THE ORIGINAL PREFERRED OPTIONS (2007)

SITE		COMMENTS
ED11	adjacent to Hardendale Works, Shap	Possible centralised resource park, but not regarded as a probable viable option. Greenfield.
ED12 and ED21	Gillwilly industrial estate, Penrith	Already committed to other developments
ED13	Potters Loaning, Alston	Highway/pedestrian safety and possible expansion plans for adjoining business
ED15	Henderson's garage, Alston	Too small and not compatible with owner's intentions
ED28	field at Middle Skelgill	Greenfield in open countryside
ED29	New Shield quarry, Alston	No specific site boundaries, very small
ED30	Moredun garage, Alston	No specific site boundaries, very small