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CUMBRIA MINERALS AND WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK



Regulation 27 Consultations

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PREFACE

These Site Allocation Policies and maps are published for consultation, together with the Habitats Regulations Assessment. The policies identify the sites and the areas of land that the County Council considers are needed for working and for safeguarding minerals and for managing wastes over the period to 2020. These are the ones that the County Council currently intends to submit, next year, to the Secretary of State for consideration.

The maps are intended to be incorporated into the Proposals Map which will be submitted. That Map will also show areas that have already been designated for their international, national and local environmental interests and areas shown on the Environment Agency Flood Maps as being at risk from flooding.

The policies list the Council's first preference sites together with reserves. The reserve sites would be intended to come forward if the first preference ones are taken by other development, do not come forward for development, or prove to be unsuitable, for example following more detailed assessment in a planning application. There are also site specific reasons for including some of them on the reserve list.

The documents are also available on CD and details of the environmental designations and flood risk areas that will also be shown on the Proposals Map can be provided, on request.

Comments are invited and need to be received by **Monday 8th February 2010**. You may like to use the comments form that is included.

Electronic versions of the documents and comments form are on the County Council's website, www.cumbria.gov.uk, where comments can be made on-line, click on Environment and Planning and then Minerals and Waste Development Framework:-

www.cumbria.gov.uk/planning-environment/planning/policy/minerals_waste/mwdf/mwdevframe.asp

Comments can also be sent by email to **mwdf@cumbriacc.gov.uk** or by post to the **Environment Unit, County Offices, Kendal LA9 4RQ**.

For help and advice please phone **01539 713425 or 713409**.

Please note:-

All comments will be publicly available, attributed to named individuals or organisations, and displayed on our website. We also have to let you know how we responded to your comment, so we need your name and address, but to protect your privacy we will not put your address or other contact details onto the public view section of the website.

If you agree to this please complete your details on the last page of the comments form.

The next stages

Having taken account of the comments that are received, the County Council will decide on its final version of the Site Allocations Policies and Proposals Map that will be submitted to the Secretary of State. That is programmed for April 2010.

The Planning Inspectorate will then examine the documents for "soundness" on behalf of the Secretary of State. That process will include a Hearing in Public, in the summer 2010, at which people who have made comments will be able to make them directly to the Inspector.

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The Inspector's report on the examination of the documents, and its recommendations, will be binding on the County Council. The County Council's formal adoption of the documents, amended as necessary, is programmed for December 2010.

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