

West of England Partnership Board
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**Joint Waste Core Strategy:
Supplementary Report of the Outcomes of the
18 March Planning, Housing & Communities Board**

Purpose of Supplementary Report

1. To report the outcome of the 18 March Planning, Housing & Communities Board's (PH&CB) consideration of the proposals in accordance with paragraph 42 of the original report.

Outcomes of the Board

2. The PH&CB supported the proposed responses set out in the original report concerned with:
 - Representations from Statutory Consultees and 'conformity'
 - Spatial Strategy (Paras 18-22): Some further discussion took place, recognising that there may be issues in dealing with multiple applications for residual waste treatment facilities. Officers agreed to re-examine earlier technical advice.
 - Habitats Regulation assessment and in-combination effects (Paras 27-28).
 - Site Specific concerns – omissions of sites for residual waste (Paras 29-30)
 - Site Specific Area concerns (Paras 31-34)
 - Development Management Policy (Paras 35-36).

Landfill

3. In this case the Board was advised that officers were seeking further legal advice on the two challenges to the Policy 8, namely:
 - That the criteria would not ensure an adequate supply of landfill sites
 - That the current available supply of landfill at St Modwens in Bristol was less than the original figures provided from the site owner.
4. A range of possible responses was discussed. The Board authorised the Chief Executive of the Partnership and Heads of Planning, in conjunction with Directors of Development, to reach conclusions based on the most appropriate responses and any further action.
5. There is the possibility that further work will be required before submission of the Joint Waste Core Strategy to the Secretary of State. If further action on this specific policy is required it may involve a public consultation. Should this be necessary a further report will be made to seek the endorsement of the Planning, Housing & Communities Board (PH&CB).

Recommendation

That the Partnership Board endorses the conclusions reached by the PH&CB on 18 March and gives any additional views on the action now proposed.

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