

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SAFETY & WASTE MANAGEMENT CABINET PANEL

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LOCAL AUTHORITY COLLECTED WASTE SPATIAL STRATEGY 2016

Report to the Chief Executive & Director of Environment

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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To present the Cabinet Panel with the Local Authority Collected Waste (LACW) Spatial Strategy 2016. This document has been prepared by the Waste Disposal Authority (WDA) and sets out an assessment of desirable new and improved waste management facilities required in the county over the period to 2031 to better enable the sustainable management of LACW.
- 1.2. The draft LACW Spatial Strategy 2016 is attached as Appendix 1.

2. Background

- 2.1. The last Spatial Strategy was produced in 2009. Although the strategy remained in draft format, it was used to inform service planning and identified representations to the Waste Planning Authority. The strategy was not shared with the Waste Collection Authorities (WCAs) or more widely and was not a public document.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1. The Community Safety and Waste Management Cabinet Panel are requested to note the LACW Spatial Strategy 2016 and provide comment on its content.

4. The Spatial Strategy

- 4.1. The revised LACW Spatial Strategy 2016 is not a prescriptive document or rigid blueprint for future service planning but instead sets out an informed and realigned vision of the infrastructure and allocated 'waste network' requirements in Hertfordshire to allow the WDA to be effective and efficient.
- 4.2. It is the intention of the WDA to share this strategy with the Waste Planning Authority, Development Services, WCAs, the District and Borough Councils' Planning Teams and any other relevant decision makers. This will enable other

services to fully and accurately understand the functions and needs of the WDA and consider these as part of their planning process.

- 4.3. An annex to the strategy addressing the Household Waste Recycling Centre network will be published in summer 2017.
- 4.4. As the WDA operates within changeable parameters this strategy will be regularly reviewed to take into consideration changes to projected population growth, applicable waste legislation; local and national policies and changes to WCA services.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

6. Equalities implications

- 6.1 When considering proposals placed before Members it is important that they are fully aware of, and have themselves rigorously considered the equality implications of the decision that they are making.
- 6.2 Rigorous consideration will ensure that proper appreciation of any potential impact of that decision on the County Council's statutory obligations under the Public Sector Equality Duty. As a minimum this requires decision makers to read and carefully consider the content of any Equalities Impact Assessment (EQiA) produced by officers.
- 6.3 The Equality Act 2010 requires the County Council when exercising its functions to have due regard to the need to (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited under the Act; (b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it and (c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. The protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010 are age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion and belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- 6.4 No equality implications have been identified in relation to this report.