

### Record of officer decision

<b>Decision title:</b>	Minerals & Waste Local Plan issues and options consultation
<b>Date of decision:</b>	14 July 2017
<b>Decision maker:</b>	Programme Director for Housing and Growth
<b>Authority for delegated decision:</b>	Authorisation is specified in the Directorate Scheme of Delegation: 5. Strategic Planning; preparation and consultation upon issues and options documents.
<b>Ward:</b>	Countywide
<b>Consultation:</b>	An all members seminar was held on 6 July 2017 to introduce the Minerals and Waste Local Plan issues and options paper and to answer any questions before it goes out on public consultation for an 8 week period over the summer of 2017. The consultant who prepared the issues and options paper and the evidence base reports (Hendeca) presented these to members.
<b>Decision made:</b>	To approve the Minerals and Waste Local Plan DPD issues and options paper for public consultation purposes, alongside the minerals and waste needs assessment evidence reports and a second call for sites, plus any minor updates necessary. Also that the Minerals and Waste Local Plan DPD consultation material is approved with authority delegated to the Programme Director Housing and Growth to make any final modifications necessary to the consultation materials.
<b>Reasons for decision:</b>	To progress the preparation of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan DPD in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) Regulations 2012.
<b>Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:</b>	<p>Not to progress the Minerals and Waste Local Plan would leave the Council in a position where the extant Unitary Development Plan policies are out of date. This would be contrary to the recommendation of the Assistant Inspector in 2015 during the Core Strategy examination. The approach to minerals supply and waste management provision should be re-considered in line with the NPPF, the NPPW and all relevant policy guidance.</p> <p>In order to ensure that due regard for equality and diversity is met contact details will be publicised for anyone needing further assistance or information in an alternative format. The Statement of Community Involvement will provide the basis for ensuring appropriate consultation and engagement measures.</p> <p>Budget provision is available to undertake an appropriate range of consultation and engagement measures required for the production of this DPD.</p>

	Once adopted, the Minerals and Waste Local Plan will form part of the statutory development plan for the area and be used as such for the purpose of determining planning applications for minerals and waste matters. Its preparation will involve ensuring compliance with statutory procedural requirement including: duty to cooperate, sustainability appraisal and habitat regulations assessment undertaken at key stages during the preparation of the plan.
<b>Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:</b>	The alternative option would be to cease production on the Minerals and Waste Local Plan. This would be contrary to the need to prepare the Mineral and Waste Local Plan identified during the Herefordshire Local Plan - Core Strategy examination 2015.
<b>Details of any declarations of interest made:</b>	If any officers or members involved or consulted in the decision-making have declared an interest you should include the declaration here.

Signed..... Date: