

Table 1. Proposed modifications to policy and supporting text

This table sets out in detail the changes that are proposed to all the Policies of the Plan, and any new Policies that are proposed. It sets out modifications to Policy to ensure that they are positively worded (see ‘Proposed Modifications Summary Table’, point 3), and it also sets out more significant changes to some Policies that were subject of discussion at the Hearings. Where there have also been modifications to the supporting text, this is also set out.

The new Sustainable Development Policy together with revised Policies for climate change and determination of minerals and waste planning applications is set out in a new overarching chapter. The wording of this chapter is set out in Appendix A.

This table should be read in conjunction with the Minerals and Waste Core Strategy Plan for Submission with Main Modifications and Additional Modifications (May 2012), in particular the paragraph/policy column refers back to this document.

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P1	Page 17, after paragraph 3.8	<p>Creation of new overarching chapter entitled:</p> <p><i>‘Sustainable Development and Overarching Strategic Policy’</i> (See Appendix A).</p> <p>Insert new supporting text – see Appendix A</p> <p>Insert in new Policy:</p> <p><i>‘Minerals and Waste Strategic Policy MWSP1: Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development’</i></p> <p>Policy to read:</p> <p><i>‘When considering development proposals the MPA/WPA will take a positive approach that reflects the presumption in favour of sustainable development contained in the National Planning Policy Framework. The MPA/WPA will always work proactively with applicants jointly to find</i></p>	Main	To accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.

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		<p><i>solutions which mean that proposals can be approved wherever possible, and to secure development that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions in the Plan area.</i></p> <p><i>Planning applications that accord with the policies in this Plan and subsequent Local Development Documents will be approved without delay, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.</i></p> <p><i>Where there are no policies relevant to the application or relevant policies are out of date at the time of making the decision then the Local Planning Authority will grant permission unless material considerations indicate otherwise taking into account:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a. Any adverse impacts of granting permission which would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits when assessed against the policies in the National Planning Policy Framework taken as a whole; or</i> <i>b. Specific policies in the Framework indicate that the development should be restricted'</i> 		
P2	Page 17, after paragraph 3.8	<p>Insert new supporting text – see Appendix A.</p> <p>Policy to read:</p> <p><i>Minerals and Waste Strategic Policy MWSP2:</i></p>	Main	Policy created by merging policies WCP5 (Climate Change) and MCP11 (Climate Change). MWSP2 to be located in new Chapter 4: <i>Sustainable</i>

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		<p><i>Climate Change</i></p> <p><i>'Waste management, mineral extraction and all related development, including restoration proposals, will take account of climate change for the lifetime of the development through measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to adapt to future climate changes. The proposed measures and the means of monitoring shall be identified'.</i></p>		<p><i>Development and Overarching Strategic Policies (see Appendix A).</i></p>
P3	Page 17, after paragraph 3.8	<p>Insert new supporting text – see Appendix A.</p> <p>Insert new policy:</p> <p><i>'Minerals and Waste Strategic Policy MWSP3: The Determination of Planning Applications'</i></p> <p>Policy to read:</p> <p><i>'All applications for waste management development or mineral extraction and related development will be determined with regard to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• The Strategic Policies in this LDD which are appropriate to the application</i> <i>• The Strategic Sites identified in this LDD which are appropriate to the type of development proposed</i> <i>• The Saved and Environmental Policies in the Bedfordshire and Luton Minerals</i> 	Main	<p>Policy created by merging policies WCP3 (The Determination of Applications for Waste Management Developments) and MCP8 (The Determination of Applications for Minerals Sites and Related Developments). MWSP3 to be located in new Chapter 4: <i>Sustainable Development and Overarching Strategic Policies</i> (see Appendix A).</p>

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		<i>and Waste Local Plan (or such other Policies as may replace them).'</i>		
P4	Page 24, WCP1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amend policy name to '<i>Waste Strategic Policy WSP1: The Provision of Recovery and Disposal Capacity</i> 	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012
P5	Page 24, WCP 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amend policy name to '<i>Waste Strategic Policy WSP2: Strategic Waste Management Sites</i>' Delete Elstow South as a landfill allocation. Revise policy wording to read: <i>'Four sites have been identified for waste recovery uses:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Elstow North</i> <i>Land at Former Brogborough landfill</i> <i>Rookery Pit South</i> <i>Land at Thorn Turn</i> <i>The following site is identified for the landfilling of non-hazardous waste:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Rookery Pit South</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name change to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012. Deletion of Elstow South to ensure that the Plan will not have an excess of provision for non-hazardous waste landfill capacity.
P6	Page 25, <i>Waste Core Policy WCP3: The Determination of Applications for Waste</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delete policy and supporting text. 	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy amalgamated with <i>Minerals Core Policy MCP8: The Determination of</i>

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	<i>Management Developments</i> , and paragraph 4.9.			<i>Applications for Mineral Sites and Related Development</i> (page 40), and replaced by new overarching <i>Minerals and Waste Strategic Policy MWSP3: The Determination of Planning Applications</i> (see P3), located in new Chapter 4: <i>Sustainable Development and Overarching Strategic Policies</i> (see Appendix A).
P7	Page 25, policy WCP 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to '<i>Waste Strategic Policy WSP3: The Design and Layout of New Waste Management Facilities</i>.' • Revise policy wording to read: <i>'New or extended waste management facilities will be permitted which are designed and whose layout has due regard to their scale, their setting, and surrounding landscape. Such designs will be sympathetic to their area, and promote local distinctiveness. The Waste Planning Authority will seek pre-application discussions, and refer to existing policies, in order to encourage good quality design.'</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.
P8	Page 26, policy WCP 5 and paragraphs 4.10 –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delete policy and supporting text. 	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy amalgamated with

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	4.11			<p><i>Minerals Core Policy MCP11: Climate Change (page 43), and replaced by new overarching Minerals and Waste Strategic Policy MWSP2: Climate Change (see P2), located in new Chapter 4: Sustainable Development and Overarching Strategic Policies (see Appendix A).</i></p>
P9	Page 27, Waste Core Policy WCP 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Waste Strategic Policy WSP4: Catchment Area restrictions. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>'Recovery and disposal capacity will be provided for the equivalent of the local arisings of waste that will arise from within the Plan area, as well as an apportionment of pre-treated residual waste from London. In order that the majority of waste that is managed is to be received from Plan area, developers of new waste recovery or disposal facilities on the strategic sites allocated in policy WSP 2, will be subject to planning controls (either planning conditions or planning obligations) relating to the origin of waste that they receive, so as to ensure that any facility permitted will meet the needs of the Plan area.</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5. • This Policy is reworded so as to give clearer justification for the policy and an explanation of how any restrictions will be assessed with regard to the nature and value of the recovery operation, the degree of flexibility which will be applied, how any restrictions are to be

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		<p><i>In considering any proposals for new recovery facilities on strategic sites allocated in policy WSP 2, the Waste Planning Authority will consider the need for a catchment area restriction in relation to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a) whether the any waste to be managed at the facility is specialised such that it can only be managed at a limited number of facilities for appropriate recovery or final disposal, or whether wastes that it will manage are more generalised wastes;</i> <i>b) whether the wastes to be managed by the facility originate from either a waste transfer facility or other waste recovery facility, a household, or a business premises within the Plan area;</i> <i>c) the proportion of waste which will originate from within the Plan area to be managed at the facility, taking into account a) and b) above, and any other considerations, such as the location of the facility.</i> <p>The text supporting this policy to read; <i>The Local Plan is based upon local communities accepting responsibility for the management of waste arising within the Plan area. In order to ensure that sufficient recovery and disposal capacity exists which is in close proximity to where waste will arise during the Plan period new waste recovery and disposal capacity on</i></p>		<p>enforced, and giving an indication of what are to be regarded as the origins of wastes going through a recovery facility.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This Policy is reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.

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		<p><i>strategic sites identified in policy WSP 2 will be subject to catchment area restrictions. This is so as to help bring about a situation whereby waste will be managed close to where it arises, with the exception of specialised wastes, for which appropriate facilities are rare in occurrence, and for whom it is more sustainable for such wastes to travel longer distances to reach appropriate facilities for their recovery or disposal. The transport of waste by road over long distances, is unsustainable, due to the damage to the environment that it will bring about. It is not anticipated that there will be a significant shift from utilising this mode of needless transportation during the Plan period. In determining individual proposals the Waste Planning Authority will consider the location of the facility, and the types of wastes that it intends to manage, in considering the form of catchment area restriction.</i></p>		
P10	Page 28, Waste Core Policy WCP 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to <i>'Waste Strategic Policy WSP5: Including waste management in new built development.</i> • Revise policy wording to read: <i>'All new developments should include sufficient and appropriate waste storage and recovery facilities in their design and layout. '</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework, as well as to

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				remove references to design and climate change, which are dealt with in policies WSP 3 and 4.
P11	Page 28, Waste Core Policy 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to '<i>Waste Strategic Policy WSP6:Non-hazardous waste transfer and materials recovery</i>'. • Removal of reference to the 'proximity principle' and addition of refuse derived fuel (RDF) and solid recovered fuel (SRF) production within the second paragraph. • Revised policy wording to read: <i>Non-hazardous waste transfer and materials recovery</i> <i>Proposals for waste transfer and materials recovery operations will be permitted on either:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A Strategic site set out in WSP 2; or</i> • <i>An existing employment area of similar uses; or</i> • <i>Within the area of and for the duration of an existing planning permission for a waste related use; or</i> • <i>Within the area of, and for the duration of an existing planning permission for minerals extraction; or</i> • <i>Within areas of despoiled, contaminated or derelict land.</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5. • To clarify that the production of RDF or SRF would be an acceptable waste recovery operation under WCP8, and to be consistent with WCP6. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.

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		<p><i>Proposals for waste transfer/materials recovery/ the production of refuse derived fuel (RDF) and solid recovered fuel (SRF) operations in locations other than those listed above, will be permitted where it can be demonstrated that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>They serve an identified need which cannot be met by existing facilities, and;</i> • <i>No land in the above categories is available</i> 		
P12	Page 29, Waste Core Policy 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Waste Strategic Policy WSP 7: Composting. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>'Composting facilities will be permitted in the following locations where they are at least 250 metres from any residential property, work place or other occupied building:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Within the area of and during the planning permission for a waste related use (including waste water treatment works); or</i> • <i>Within the area of and for the duration of a planning permission for minerals extraction; or</i> • <i>Within areas of previously despoiled , contaminated or derelict land; or</i> • <i>On agricultural land; or</i> • <i>On existing employment areas of similar uses, in respect of enclosed</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5. • Wording of policy revised to clarify that only enclosed composting operations will be permitted on existing employment areas of similar uses, and to make wording more positive to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.

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P13	Page 29, Waste Core Policy WCP 10: Anaerobic Digestion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to '<i>Waste Strategic Policy WSP 8: Anaerobic Digestion.</i> 	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5.
P14	Page 30, WCP 11: Energy generation from Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to '<i>Waste Strategic Policy WSP 9: Energy generation from waste.</i> • Revise policy wording to read: <i>'Proposals for energy generation from waste will be permitted where they recover energy from waste which has already undergone maximum practicable recovery, at the locations identified in WSP 2 or other such small scale facilities which come forward through other policies of the Plan . Proposals for energy generation must consider the potential for combined heat and power capability.'</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.
P15	WCP 12: Landfilling of waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to '<i>Waste Strategic Policy WSP10: Landfilling of Waste.</i> • Revise policy wording to read: <i>'Permission will be granted for the landfilling of non-hazardous waste where it can be</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5.

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		<p><i>demonstrated that the provision of landfill capacity is required to meet an identified need which cannot be met by the management of waste higher up the Waste Hierarchy.'</i></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.
P16	Page 31, WCP 13: Waste water treatment facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Waste Strategic Policy WSP11: Waste Water Treatment Facilities. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>'Proposals for new waste water treatment works will be permitted where it can be demonstrated that the need for the development cannot be accommodated at an existing site, and where they are at least 400 metres from sensitive development.</i></p> <p><i>Proposals for sensitive development within 400 metres of an existing waste water treatment works will be subject to a risk assessment.</i></p> <p><i>The risk assessment will inform the decision as to whether the sensitive development will be permitted, and whether mitigation is required to address environmental and amenity issues raised by the proposal'.</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5. • The wording of this policy has been improved and amended, both to make it more positive, and to ensure that the policy is effective in managing the risks associated with locating sensitive development close to waste water treatment works.
P17	Page 31, WCP 14: Clinical Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Waste Strategic Policy WSP12: Clinical Waste. 	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the

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				deletion of WCP3 and WCP5.
P18	Page 31, WCP 15 Hazardous waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Waste Strategic Policy WSP13: Hazardous Waste. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>'Proposals for facilities for the disposal of hazardous waste will be permitted in discrete "monocells" within non-hazardous waste landfill sites. Proposals for the transfer/bulking up of hazardous waste will be permitted on land at existing waste management sites and/or employment sites of a similar uses, where they are not in close proximity to sensitive occupiers. Other hazardous waste recovery operations will normally be acceptable in the following locations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>An existing employment area of similar uses; or</i> • <i>Within the area of and for duration of an existing planning permission for a waste related use; or</i> • <i>Within the area of and for the duration of an existing planning permission for minerals extraction; or</i> • <i>Within areas of despoiled, contaminated or derelict land</i> • <i>Within the area of a Strategic site as set out in Waste Core Policy WSP 2'.</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.

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P19	Page 32, WCP 16: Inert waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to <i>'Waste Strategic Policy WSP14: Inert Waste.</i> • Revise policy wording to read: <i>'Proposals for the recycling of inert waste will be permitted at sites that are either:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>An existing employment area of similar uses; or</i> • <i>Within the area of and for the duration of an existing planning permission for a waste related use; or</i> • <i>Within the area of, and for the duration of an existing planning permission for minerals extraction or processing; or</i> • <i>Within areas of despoiled, contaminated or derelict land.</i> <p><i>Proposals for the landfilling or other disposal to land of inert wastes will be permitted where they contribute to the reclamation of former mineral working voids, or give rise to an environmental benefit.'</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and WCP5. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.
P20	Page 33, WCP 17: New Waste Management Facilities and Strategic Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to <i>'Waste Strategic Policy WSP15: New Waste Management Facilities and Strategic Transport.</i> • Revise policy wording to read: 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of WCP3 and

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		<p><i>‘Proposals for new waste management facilities will be permitted where they conform to the adopted Freight Strategies and Policies for its area in respect of the management of traffic to and from the site. New waste facilities will be permitted where they can easily access the Designated Road Freight Network of the Councils within the Plan area. Where appropriate new facilities will be permitted will be granted where they are accompanied by legal agreements to ensure that waste traffic follows an agreed route to/from the Designated Road Freight Network. ‘</i></p>		<p>WCP5.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.
P21	Page 34, Mineral Core Policy MCP 1: Overall Spatial Strategy for Aggregate Sand and Gravel and Silica Sand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name to ‘Mineral Strategic Policy MSP1: Overall Spatial Strategy for Aggregate Sand and Gravel and Silica Sand. • Revise policy wording to read: <i>‘Aggregate minerals will be sourced from the river valley sands and gravels of the Lower Ouse and Ivel Valleys, the glacial sands and gravels of the Biggleswade area, and the Cretaceous sands of the Greensand Ridge. Specialist silica sands will be sourced from sites in the vicinity of Leighton Buzzard and Heath and Reach.</i> <p><i>Strategic mineral sites for the supply of aggregate sand and gravels are allocated as follows:</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name change to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Willington Lock</i> • <i>Blunham/Roxton</i> • <i>Black Cat</i> • <i>Willowhill Farm</i> • <i>Bridge Farm</i> • <i>Land south of Broom Village</i> <p><i>and for specialist silica sands:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Land at Clipstone Brook'</i> 		
P22	Page 35, Mineral Core Policy 2: The Provision of Aggregates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name to 'Mineral Strategic Policy MSP2: The Provision of Aggregates • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>'The Mineral Planning Authorities will monitor the permitted reserves of aggregate minerals, in order to maintain a landbank sufficient for at least seven years throughout the Plan period. Should the aggregates landbank fall below seven years the Mineral Planning Authorities will take appropriate action in order to identify the need, and where appropriate, grant planning permission, for the release of additional reserves'.</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name change to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012. • This policy has been redrafted to change 'so as to seek' to 'in order to', to ensure that the policy is positively worded in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework.
P23	Page 36, paragraph 5.7, final sentence.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend to read: <p><i>'All locations of permitted sites dealing with substitute, secondary and recycled aggregates</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to the deletion of wording within policy MCP3 (see below, bullet

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		in the Plan Area at the time of the adoption of the Plan and benefiting from the safeguarding set out in policy MSP3 are shown on the Policies Map'		4).
P24	Page 37, Mineral Core Policy MCP 3: Substitute, Secondary and Recycled Aggregates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name to 'Mineral Strategic Policy MSP3: Substitute, Secondary and Recycled Aggregates. • 2nd paragraph of the policy: replace 'within' with 'in'. • Amend last sentence of second paragraph of the policy, by adding: 'the ongoing operation of.' before 'such facilities'. • Delete final sentence. <p>Revise policy wording to read:</p> <p><i>'The Mineral Planning Authority will give priority to the production and supply of substitute/recycled/secondary aggregates to be used in preference to land won aggregates.</i></p> <p><i>All facilities permitted in the Plan Area for the handling, processing and distribution of substitute, recycled and secondary aggregate will be safeguarded and there will be a presumption against any development that could prejudice the ongoing operation of such facilities'.</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name change to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012. • Policy redrafted to ensure that it is positively worded, and to emphasise that the policy relates to the ongoing operation of facilities for the production and supply of substitute, secondary, and recycled aggregates. • The list of facilities has been taken out of the policy as it only contains names of facilities in the Plan area in 2013, and this list is likely to change over time, and it would be more appropriate for it set out in the text.
P25	Page 37, Minerals Core Policy MCP 4: Safeguarding concrete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name to 'Mineral Strategic Policy MSP4: Safeguarding Concrete 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name change to accord with Local Plan

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	batching asphalt and stone coating plants	<p>Batching, Asphalt and Stone Coating Plants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delete last sentence of policy. • paragraph 5.9 amended to read: <p>Revise policy wording to read:</p> <p><i>‘The locations of concrete batching, asphalt and stone coating plants permitted in the Plan Area at the time of the adoption of the Plan and benefiting from the safeguarding is shown on the Policies Map.’</i></p>		<p>Regulations 2012.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The list of facilities has been taken out of the policy, as it only contains names of existing facilities in the Plan area, and this list is likely to change over time. Whilst it is considered appropriate to list the facilities covered by this policy, this is more appropriately mentioned in the text. • Because of the wording taken out of the policy, the text of last sentence in paragraph 5.9 will be amended.
P26	Page 38. Minerals Core Policy MCP5: Provision of Silica Sand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name to ‘Mineral Strategic Policy MSP5: Provision of Silica Sand.’ • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>‘Silica sand sites will be released where there is a demonstrable need for the product to supply individual processing plants in the Plan area and this need cannot be met from existing extraction sites in the Plan Area or from alternative materials, in order to maintain continuity of production for at least 10 years’.</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name change to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012. • Policy reworded to make it more positive in its support for additional silica sand extraction sites in order to maintain continuity of production for at least 10 years.

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P27	Page 38, paragraph 5.11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change paragraph to read: <i>'The National Planning Policy Framework states that MPAs should aim to ensure that landbanks of at least 10 years are maintained for individual silica sand sites. In addition the Framework also states that where significant capital investment is required it may be necessary for plant to be provided with a stock of permitted reserves to provide for at least 15 years of operation depending on the circumstances. In this instance, due to confidentiality issues, it has not been possible for the MPAs to identify a landbank against which to assess whether or not the need for permitted silica sand reserves has been met. Additionally, the Cuesta Silica Sand Study undertaken in 2006/7 demonstrated that there is a range of silica sands, which vary in their grain size, colour and chemical composition, and also the increasing variety of uses to which these silica sands may be put. There may therefore be justification for allowing the extraction of further reserves so as to maintain the production of a particular type of silica sand at an individual processing plant. The MPAs consider that it is the processing plant sites which are the important sites, in the context National Planning Policy Framework, as this is where significant investment may be required for new plant and where it is necessary</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to provide greater context to policy MSP 5: Provision of Silica Sand, and to add clarity and to explain the stance of the MPAs to the identification and approval of further silica sand reserves in the light of the rewording of policy MSP5.

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		<p><i>to maintain and improve existing plant. Within the Plan area several silica sand quarries may feed one plant site. It is important to maintain the continuity of production at these plant sites and to this end permission will be granted for new quarries or the extension to an existing quarry, in accordance with policies MCP1 and MCP5. However, the need for further reserves must be balanced against environmental constraints and there may, in some circumstances, be overriding environmental reasons why stocks of permitted reserves cannot be replenished.'</i></p>		
P28	Page 39. Mineral Core Policy 6: Mineral Extraction outside Allocated Sites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name to 'Mineral Strategic Policy MSP6: Mineral Extraction outside Allocated Sites. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>'Mineral extraction or the development of new or replacement concrete batching, asphalt and stone coating plants outside of the identified Strategic sites will be permitted where it can be demonstrated that there is an overriding need and/or benefit.'</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name change to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012. • Revision to the wording of Policy MSP 6 to be more positive and to accommodate additional or replacement processing plant as well as mineral extraction.
P29	Page 39. Supporting text to Mineral Core Policy 6.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend first sentence of supporting text below policy to: <p><i>'Planning applications for mineral working outside of the allocated Strategic sites identified in Mineral Strategic Policy MSP1 will be permitted where particular requirements be</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policies have been reworded more positively following discussion at the Hearings, and advice from the Inspector. • To ensure that the Plan takes account of the need

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		<p><i>demonstrated. Particular requirements may include the prevention of the sterilisation of reserves, where there are significant environmental and biodiversity benefits or where it can be demonstrated that an allocated Strategic site identified in policy MSP1 is no longer likely to come forward.'</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insert a new paragraph before the paragraph starting 'Large permitted clay reserves...' with the following wording: <p><i>'The National Planning Policy Framework introduced a requirement to safeguard existing or planned batching, asphalt and stone coating plants. This requirement has been set out in Minerals Strategic Policy MSP4. However, there is still the need to ensure that there is provision for new or replacement plant to come forward should the demand arise. This is addressed in Minerals Strategic Policy MSP6 where provision is made for these plants subject to the case being made in terms of need or benefit. Applications for such plant would also be determined in accordance with the requirements of Minerals and Waste Strategic Policy MWSP3.'</i></p>		<p>to permit new or replacement concrete batching, asphalt and stone coating plants in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework.</p>
P30	Page 39, Minerals Core Policy MCP7: Rationalisation of reserves and restoration of old sites.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name to 'Minerals Strategic Policy MSP7: Rationalisation of reserves and restoration of old sites'. 	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name change to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012.

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P31	Page 40, Minerals Core Policy 8: The Determination of Applications for Mineral Sites and Related Developments, and paragraphs 5.13 – 5.14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delete policy and supporting text. 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy amalgamated with WCP3: The Determination of Applications for Waste Management Developments to created new overarching policy 'MWSP3: The Determination of Planning Applications' (see P3), and moved to new Chapter 4: 'Sustainable Development and Overarching Strategic Policies' (see Appendix A).
P32	Page 41, Minerals Core Policy 9: Importation of materials for processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Mineral Strategic Policy MSP8: Importation of materials for processing. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>'The use and retention of mineral processing plants during and beyond normal life of the associated mineral extraction operation, to allow for the processing of imported material, will be permitted where:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>It enables the working of a site which is otherwise considered to be uneconomic and/or unworkable; or</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of MCP8. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>It allows material to be processed or blended to achieve a higher quality or more saleable product; or</i> • <i>It enables the working of a nearby site where the establishment of a processing plant would be subject to overriding environmental objections.'</i> 		
P33	Page 42, Minerals Core policy MCP 10: Borrow Pits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Mineral Strategic Policy MSP9: Borrow Pits. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>Borrow Pits will be permitted where they meet the following criteria:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The site is required to supply minerals to a specific major construction works;</i> • <i>The site is well related geographically to the project it is intended to supply;</i> • <i>The borrow pit will serve the related project only, and will not provide material for the wider market or be retained beyond the life of the project it serves;</i> • <i>The borrow pit will bring about the removal of mineral and/or waste traffic movements from the public highway</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of MCP8. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework., as well as in the interests of clarity concerning the type of waste that may be imported to the sites.

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		<p><i>and/or from passing local communities;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The borrow pit will be restored within a similar timescale as the project to which it relates, and restoration can be achieved to an approved scheme in the event that it is only partly worked;</i> • <i>Waste materials will only be imported from the project itself unless required to achieve beneficial restoration as set out in an approved scheme;</i> • <i>There is an overall environmental benefit as a result of the proposal and appropriate mitigation measures will be put in place to minimise any adverse environmental impacts’.</i> 		
P34	Page 42, supporting text.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise wording to read: <i>‘Borrow Pits are temporary quarries set up for a specific construction project, such as a road scheme, to utilise a source of aggregates in the immediate vicinity. These pits can have a clear environmental benefit by providing locally sourced material and, as a result, reduce the haulage of materials and remove traffic movements that would otherwise be associated with the project from the highway network. However it is acknowledged that any mineral working can impact on neighbours and the local</i> 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to provide greater context for policy MSP 9: Borrow Pits.

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		<p><i>environment detrimentally but if they are restored to a high standard then they will contribute beneficially to the local environment.</i></p> <p><i>The consideration of the use of secondary/recycled/ substitute aggregates is expected to occur before the developer looks for material from a borrow pit. However, not all materials needed for a construction project are likely to be available from the use of such aggregates and some virgin sand and gravel is likely to be required. The use of material sourced from borrow pits can also result in the use of lower quality materials.</i></p> <p><i>There are benefits and disbenefits associated with the sourcing of aggregate from a borrow pit particularly as operators are often not normally associated with minerals matters and may require greater guidance from local authorities to ensure that the site is operated to an acceptable standard. In addition such sites may wish to continue and expand to serve an entirely different market for which it was originally intended. So long as an adequate landbank of permitted reserve of aggregate minerals exists in the Plan area, then material for these schemes will normally be expected to be sourced from existing operational sites and from the use of recycled aggregates. However, other relevant factors to be considered include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Whether the scale of the material</i> 		

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		<p><i>required and the timescale for its provision may pose problems for existing operational quarries;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Whether the demand on local quarries would disrupt supply to other users of the same aggregate minerals</i> • <i>Whether specific community benefits may arise</i> <p><i>Every proposals for a borrow pit may not be able to meet all the criteria listed. Where this is the case, the local authority will consider whether there is an overall environmental benefit arising from any proposal and could still determine any planning application positively.</i></p> <p><i>There are extensive clay deposits within the Plan area although no sites are operational at present. Clay is occasionally worked at temporary borrow pits, but can also be sourced from permitted sites, for uses which include the creation of noise attenuation bunds or as engineering fill material.'</i></p>		
P35	Page 43, above sentence starting 'All proposals for new quarries...', insert the following text.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delete paragraph. 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Text amended and amalgamated with supporting text with respect waste and climate change on page 26, and relocated in the new Chapter 4: 'Sustainable Development and

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				Overarching Strategic Policies' (see Appendix A).
P36	Page 43, Mineral Core Policy 11: Climate Change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delete policy. 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy amalgamated with WCP5: Climate Change to create new overarching policy 'MWSP2: Climate Change' (see P2), and relocated in new Chapter 4: 'Sustainable Development and Overarching Strategic Policies' (see Appendix A).
P37	Page 43 paragraph 5.16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delete paragraph. 	Main	Text amended, and amalgamated with supporting text with respect waste and climate change on page 26, and relocated in the new Chapter 4: 'Sustainable Development and Overarching Strategic Policies' (see Appendix A).
P38	Page 44, Mineral Core Policy 12: Strategic Transport and protection of existing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Mineral Strategic Policy MSP10: Strategic Transport and protection of existing railhead facilities. 	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the

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	railhead facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>'All new quarries or extensions to quarries will be required to conform to the adopted Freight Strategy and/or policies of the Councils for their area in respect of the management of traffic to and from the site.</i></p> <p><i>There will be a presumption against any development that may prejudice existing railheads used for the transportation of minerals into and out of the plan area.</i></p> <p><i>There will be a presumption against any development that may prejudice rail served aggregates depots in the Plan area. Positive consideration will be given to any planning application for the development of new facilities within the boundary of the depots, subject to their being a need for the facility and the proposal being environmentally acceptable.'</i></p>		<p>deletion of MCP8 and MCP11.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework.
P39	Page 45, Minerals Core Policy MCP 13: Minerals Resource Assessment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Mineral Strategic Policy MSP11: Minerals Resource Assessment. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>Surface development proposals within a Mineral Safeguarding Area (excluding exemptions set out under Minerals Strategic Policy MSP12: Surface development within a Mineral Safeguarding Area) shall be accompanied by a Minerals Resource Assessment. This shall be</i></p>	Additional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of MCP8 and MCP11. • Text of policy amended to revise policy number quoted (i.e. MSP12) to take account of

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		<p><i>undertaken by a suitably qualified professional, which establishes through site specific geological survey data, the existence or otherwise of a mineral resource of economic importance.</i></p>		<p>renumbering resulting from the deletion of policies MCP8 and MCP11.</p>
P40	<p>Page 46, MCP 14: Surface development within a Mineral Safeguarding Area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amend policy name and number to 'Minerals Strategic Policy MSP12: Surface development within a Mineral Safeguarding Area. • Revise policy wording to read: <p><i>Surface development will be permitted within a Mineral Safeguarding Area where it has been demonstrated that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The mineral concerned is proven to be of no economic value as a result of the undertaking of a Mineral Resource Assessment</i> • <i>The development will not inhibit extraction if required in the future; or</i> • <i>There is an overriding need for the development and prior extraction cannot reasonably be undertaken; or</i> • <i>The mineral can be extracted prior to the development taking place.</i> <p><i>Minerals Strategic Policies MSP11 and MSP12 will not apply to the following classes of surface development as they are unlikely to lead to the long term sterilisation of minerals:</i></p>	Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and number changed to accord with Local Plan Regulations 2012 and to reflect the deletion of MCP8 and MCP11. • Policy reworded positively to accord with the National Planning Policy Framework, and in the interests of clarity.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Extensions of existing buildings within their cartilage;</i> • <i>Infilling development except for proposals within 250 metres of an existing permission for mineral extraction/waste disposal;</i> • <i>Individual residential caravans for a period of less than 5 years;</i> • <i>Amendments to previously approved developments;</i> • <i>Applications for Listed Building consent;</i> • <i>Reserved matters;</i> • <i>Changes of Use (except where further built development is proposed).</i> <p><i>Where a development is applied for which is of a form not exempt under this policy and within an area of a designated Mineral Safeguarding Area, then Minerals Strategic Policy MSP11 shall apply.</i></p>		