Local Plan Reg 18 Consultation response - May 2024

I am writing on behalf of CCC's Contracts team.

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SPD Feedback

Support section 6.1 on Recycling & Waste. This links to more detailed information that can and will change regularly. Detailed information can be supplied to developers as required.

Wincheap C19

We support the Wincheap C19 policy and the idea of working with the promoters, key stakeholders and the local community, to produce a Supplementary Planning Document to masterplan and facilitate the site's delivery. We note the comment about needing to consider the suitability of re-providing other existing appropriate uses (such as the waste depot).

The key factor linked to this is the fact that household waste collection is a statutory service that the Council must provide and to do this a waste depot is required. The depot needs to be of a suitable size and in a central location to service the whole district. If it is moved from the current Wincheap location, we will need an alternative and need to ensure the new Local Plan allows for a future depot to be located within the district.

We are keen to work with colleagues in Policy, Planning and Property to ensure that a depot is provided that meets the service needs particularly with regards to size and local infrastructure.

Draft Air Quality Action Plan

Measure 14 - We consider alternative fuels when purchasing vehicles and have done so since we purchased the waste fleet in 2020/21.

The main issues at present are the lack of infrastructure and permeance at both depots used by Canenco which limits the scope of using electric vehicles. In addition, electric

vehicles are generally more expensive and suitable models are not always available for what is required to deliver the service in an effective and efficient manner.

We are happy to continue to work on looking at alternative fuels with internal colleagues.

Our grounds maintenance contractor is expanding their use of electric hand tools on an annual basis as the tools available become more reliable and fit for purpose.

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