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Our ref: SP 8010.11
Ask for: Nicholas Dean

Dear Sir or Madam,

**Worcestershire Waste Core Strategy Development Plan Document:
Publication document (Regulation 27 consultation)**

The Council is preparing a Waste Core Strategy. This is a document that will set out how we plan for waste management facilities in Worcestershire until 2027. We have now prepared the **Waste Core Strategy Publication Document (Regulation 27 consultation)**. This is the version of the Strategy that we intend to submit to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State will appoint a Planning Inspector to assess the 'soundness' and legal compliance of the strategy. To be 'sound' the Waste Core Strategy must be justified, effective and consistent with national policy.

Before we submit the document to the Secretary of State you have **six weeks** to comment on the **Publication Document**. The Inspector will take account of any comments you make on this consultation and will then choose which matters to discuss. It would be helpful if you could make any comments using the enclosed **response form** (guidance notes attached), indicating which the aspect of soundness or legal compliance your comment relates to. The response form can also be completed online at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/wcs.

The **Waste Core Strategy Publication Document (Regulation 27 consultation)**, **response form** and **guidance notes** are available to view at libraries, Worcestershire Hub customer contact centres or online at www.worcestershire.gov.uk/wcs. Please contact me if you would like a paper copy.

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The consultation period will run from **22nd March to 5.30pm on 4th May 2011**.

All comments must be made **by 5.30pm on Wednesday 4th May**. Any comments made after the closing date are unlikely to be considered by the Inspector when they assess the Strategy.

Yours faithfully

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