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Our ref: SP 8010.10
Ask for: Nicholas Dean

Dear Sir or Madam,

Worcestershire Waste Core Strategy: First Draft Submission 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. It will guide developers as to what kind of waste management facilities will be acceptable where and will be used by the Council to make decisions about planning applications for waste management facilities. The consultation identifies "*Areas of Search*" which we consider would be suitable for waste management facilities. It also contains policies regarding the implications of other types of development for waste.

I enclose a short information sheet, a summary document and a questionnaire which I would be grateful if you would return in the enclosed pre-paid envelope.

The consultation will run from 28th September to 9th November 2010.

The full Waste Core Strategy First Draft Submission Report, as well as the Sustainability Appraisal and background evidence documents, can be found on our website **www.worcestershire.gov.uk/wcs**. You can also fill in the questionnaire online. Please contact me if you need any further information or copies of the documents or questionnaire.

We would like you to tell us whether you agree with our approach, the evidence we have based it on and the policies we propose or, if not, why not and what you think we need to say. This is your opportunity to suggest other locations for inclusion as *Areas of Search* and is the last opportunity for you to significantly revise the strategy.

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Our next stage will be to take all comments into account and prepare a final version of the document which will be submitted to the Secretary of State after a final round of consultation in which you will only be able to comment on whether the Waste Core Strategy is "sound". To be sound the Strategy must be justified, effective and consistent with national policy.

It is important that you reply by the **9th November 2010** so that we can fully consider your comments.

Your comments are important to us and the questionnaire includes a section that will help us evaluate our consultation procedures. Please note the evaluation section of the questionnaire is distinct from the **consultation questionnaire** which asks specific questions about the content of the Waste Core Strategy consultation documents.

Yours faithfully

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