

PUBLIC NOTICE
Consultation on the proposed "Main" and "Additional"
changes to the
Submitted Worcestershire Waste Core Strategy
Development Plan Document

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and Localism Act 2012
Notice of publication of proposed changes to the submitted Worcestershire Waste Core
Strategy for consultation, in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local
Development) (England) Regulations 2004 (as amended)

Worcestershire County Council has published proposed "Main" and "Additional" changes to the submitted Waste Core Strategy for Worcestershire for public comment. A Sustainability Appraisal of these changes and an updated Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Decision have also been published and comments are invited on these.

The Strategy sets out how much waste we will need to manage in Worcestershire up to and beyond 2027 and where, when and how new waste management facilities will be developed and assessed. The proposed changes to the submitted Waste Core Strategy take account of the questions and debate undertaken during the Examination Hearings into the soundness and legal compliance of the submitted documents. The other documents for consultation provide assessment of any potential impacts of these changes.

This is the opportunity for you to comment on the soundness and legal compliance of these changes, the Sustainability Appraisal of the changes and the updated Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Decision. The Council intends to submit the proposed changes, Sustainability Appraisal of the changes, updated Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Decision and copies of all the representations it receives to this consultation to the Inspector for him consider as part of the Examination of the Waste Core Strategy. The Inspector will take these documents into account when considering whether the Core Strategy complies with the legal requirements and is "sound".

The consultation will run from **5th April until 5:30pm on 21st May 2012**. It is important that you reply before the consultation ends. Late representations will not be forwarded to the Inspector.

All of the documents are available to view on the Council's website, **www.worcestershire.gov.uk/wcs**, and during normal opening hours from 5th April at the following places:

- County Hall Reception, Worcestershire County Council, Spetchley Road, Worcester
- Public Libraries in Worcestershire
- Worcestershire Hub Customer Contact Centres at Bewdley, Bromsgrove, Droitwich, Evesham, Kidderminster, Pershore, Redditch, Stourport, Upton-upon-Severn and Worcester.

For further information or to request a paper copy of any of the documents, please contact Nick Dean at Worcestershire County Council on 01905 766374 or by email **wcs@worcestershire.gov.uk**. Copies of the documents can also be provided in formats suitable for the blind or visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing or in a language other than English.

Please complete the questionnaire online at **www.worcestershire.gov.uk/wcs**, email your comments to **wcs@worcestershire.gov.uk**, or send written comments to N. Dean, Planning Unit, County Hall, Spetchley Road, Worcester, WR5 2NP, or by fax to 01905 766498 by 5:30 on 22nd May.

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