



Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39

Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, Regulation 19 (b)

Pre-Submission Draft

Statement of Representation Procedure and Availability of Documents

January 2024

Publication of the Pre-Submission Draft of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39

The Pre-Submission Draft of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39 has been published for a six-week period from **Wednesday 17th January 2024 to Thursday 29th February 2024** to allow representations ahead of the submission of these documents to the Secretary of State for Independent Examination. The purpose of the representations period is to allow local communities and other interested parties the opportunity to submit representations about whether the Pre-Submission Draft Plan is 'sound' (that is, whether it has been positively prepared, is justified, is effective, and is consistent with national policy), and legally compliant (prepared in accordance with legislation governing plan making). Written representations received before the end of the six-week period will be sent by Kent County Council to the appointed Planning Inspector for consideration alongside the submitted Plan.

Subject Matter and Area Covered:

The **Pre-Submission Draft of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39** sets out proposed updates to the adopted Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2013-30 as amended by the Early Partial Review (2020) resulting from the statutory 5-year review. The Plan sets out the strategy for the sustainable management of Kent's waste and supply of minerals and is the primary element of the development plan for Kent against which planning applications and appeals for minerals and waste development in Kent will be determined. The changes to the currently adopted Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan, which are proposed to form the Pre-Submission Draft Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39, are all shown clearly in a tracked change version of the document. The updates reflect and include the following matters:

- Updates to the National Planning Policy Framework in 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2023 and associated Planning Practice Guidance;
- legislation and policy concerning: The need to adapt to, and mitigate, climate change and, associated low carbon growth;
- policy and legislation concerned with achieving a circular economy where more waste is prevented or reused;
- adoption by the County Council of the Kent Environment Strategy and Kent and Medway Energy and Low Emissions Strategy;
- extending the plan period to 2039;
- updates to aggregate requirements in Policy CSM2 and waste management targets in Policy CSW4;
- deletion of Policy CSM3 that allocates a strategic site for minerals (as planning permission has been granted);
- deletion of Policy CSW5 that allocates a strategic site at Norwood Quarry, Isle of Sheppey for the landfill of hazardous waste specifically incinerator fly ash;
- a recognition within supporting text of the need for the development of additional capacity for the management of household waste identified by the Waste Disposal Authority;
- removal of a commitment to make specific provision for the management of residual non-hazardous waste by landfill or energy recovery that arises in London;
- changes to Policy CSW17 relating to waste management at Dungeness to ensure consistency with national policy;
- a change to Policy DM3 that seeks the achievement of maximum practicable biodiversity net gain;
- changes to settlement boundaries affecting the extent of areas identified where the presence of economic minerals needs to be taken into account before surface development can take place ('Mineral Safeguarding Areas');
- changes to the monitoring framework to ensure it properly reflects the updated policies; and,
- further changes intended to improve the clarity of the Plan's wording and hence the meaning of certain objectives and policies.

The area covered by the document is the administrative area of Kent County Council.

Representation period: Wednesday 17th January 2024 to midnight on Thursday 29th February 2024.

Representations must be made in writing and submitted in one of the following ways:

- Online Consultation Portal: www.kent.gov.uk/mineralsandwaste

- By post: Minerals and Waste Planning Policy Team
Planning Applications Group
Invicta House
Maidstone
Kent
ME14 1XX
- Email: mwlp@kent.gov.uk

Representation forms are available and can be completed and uploaded online on the County Council's consultation portal (www.kent.gov.uk/mineralsandwaste). Alternatively, the form can be downloaded from the County Council's website (www.kent.gov.uk/mineralsandwaste) or may be requested by contacting the team by telephone via 03000 422370, email to mwlp@kent.gov.uk or letter.

The Pre-Submission Draft of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39, along with all evidence base documents, are available to view on the County Council's online consultation portal (www.kent.gov.uk/mineralsandwaste):

- Pre-Submission Draft of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39 (Regulation 19 Consultation Document) - showing changes tracked
- Pre-Submission Draft of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39 (Regulation 19 Consultation Document) - untracked (clean copy)
- Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan Update 2024-39
- Draft Sustainability Appraisal Report of the Draft Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39 Regulation 19 Consultation - Updates to the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2013-30 in light of the Five-Year Review (November 2023)
- Draft Sustainability Appraisal Report - Non-Technical Summary - Updates to the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2013-30 in light of the Five-Year Review (November 2023)
- Duty to Cooperate Report
- Consultation Statement
- Statement of Representations Procedure
- Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) - Position Statement
- Biodiversity Topic Paper
- Circular Economy Topic Paper
- Radioactive Waste Topic Paper
- Waste Needs Assessments
- Guidance note and representation form

A hard copy of the Pre-Submission Draft of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39 and the above documents are also available to view at the main County

Council office - Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XQ between the hours of 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday for the duration of the consultation.

In addition, the County Council has computer access available via its libraries (excluding mobile libraries) where the consultation documents are available to be viewed in an electronic format during their normal opening hours.

If you require any of the documents in an alternative format or language please email alternativeformats@kent.gov.uk or call 03000 42 15 53 (text relay service number: 18001 03000 42 15 53). This number goes to an answering machine, which is monitored during office hours.

Representations may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address of any of the following:

- i. The submission of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39 for Independent Examination;
- ii. the publication of the recommendations of the Planning Inspector; and,
- iii. the adoption of the Kent Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2024-39.