Notice is given in accordance with the above Regulations that Milton Keynes Council has submitted the Milton Keynes Minerals Local Plan (Local Plan) to the Secretary of State for independent examination under Section 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012, along with the supporting documents. The date of submission was 31 March 2016.

The role of the Minerals Local Plan is to set out the strategic vision and objectives for minerals related development, identify the mineral resources of local and national importance as well as the amount of these to be provided from within Milton Keynes Borough, identify the development strategy and site-specific allocations to facilitate delivery of a steady and adequate supply of aggregates and maintenance of landbanks, and set out the policies and proposals against which planning applications for minerals related development will be determined. The Local Plan also sets out policies and proposals that apply to other forms of development, covering matters such as safeguarding of minerals resources of local and national importance, as well as measures to reduce potential land use conflict with incompatible forms of development.

The scope of the Minerals Local Plan includes:
- Vision and objectives for minerals related development within Milton Keynes;
- Spatial strategy for mineral extraction;
- Aggregate provision to be met,
- Commitment to maintaining landbanks,
- Safeguarding mineral resources and ancillary development / infrastructure,
- Development control and management policies, and
- Identification of specific sites for minerals-related development required to facilitate delivery of the indentified aggregate provision.

The Submission Plan, Sustainability Appraisal (SA) Report and Statement of Consultation and Engagement are available for public inspection at the Civic Offices in Milton Keynes, Monday to Friday between 9am to 5pm via appointment on 01908 252358 or via email minerals.plan@milton-keynes.gov.uk and will also be available to view at all Milton Keynes Libraries – please contact them directly for individual opening hours.

The Submission Plan, SA Report and Statement of Consultation and Engagement, copies of representations made in accordance with Regulation 20 and other supporting documentation are also available to view on the County Council’s website at: www.milton-keynes.gov.uk.

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