

WASTE DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT PREFERRED OPTIONS RESPONSES.

Summary of Responses

The consultation of the Waste Development Plan Document Preferred Options took place from 17 August 2005 to 28 September 2006. The Preferred Options responses are taken into account into the preparation of the Submission Draft document. Below are the responses to the consultation. A total of 655 responses were received. Out of these responses, 620 filled in a survey form via:

- MKNews Wrap around 287
- Submitted online 221
- Online form downloaded and submitted by post 13
- Submitted by post 94

Some responses were received by email (18) and letter (22). These may have also included a survey form. The majority (over 80%) of survey responses either strongly supported or supported preferred options 1 – 9 and 12:

- 1. Preferred Guiding Vision for the Plan;
- 2. Preferred Strategic Option;
- 3. Sustainable Waste Management;
- 4. Working with neighbours/partners;
- 5. Development Control Criteria;
- 6. Environmental Objectives;
- 7. Transport;
- 8. Restoration;
- 9. Sustainable design, construction and resource recovery;
- 12. Other waste facilities.

The highest objection to questions (1-9 and 12) was to preferred option 2 with just 5.2 % objecting or strongly objecting.

In terms of the Strategic Waste Management Site for a waste management facility for final treatment, the preferred site at Old Wolverton was:

- strongly supported and supported 75.6%
- objected or strongly objected 5.7%

Eleven responses were received from residents in Wolverton:

- strongly supported/supported 7
- strongly objected 4

Eleven responses were received from residents in Old Wolverton:

- strongly supported 1
- objected and strongly objected 10

In terms of the reserve site at Wymbush, (if the Old Wolverton site does not come forward),

- strongly supported or supported 60.9%
- objected or strongly objected 8.6%

Nineteen responses were received from residents in Two Mile Ash (closest residents to the site). Out of these:

- support 4
- strongly objected or objected 13

In terms of safeguarding existing strategic sites, the support for safeguarding Bletchley Landfill Site for future disposal of residual waste and the statement, 'the site's life should not be dramatically reduced by imports from outside Milton Keynes, leaving Milton Keynes looking for an alternative facility sooner than 2022', was as follows:

- strongly support/support 85.2%
- strongly objected/objected 4%

There were 94 responses received from residents in Bletchley:

- strongly support/support 80
- strongly objected 6

In terms of the support for safeguarding the existing Materials Recycling Facility at Old Wolverton and the statement, 'the current facility should be retained unless it is provided for elsewhere or it becomes obsolete as a result of a new long-term waste management use elsewhere. There is potential for the site to accommodate new waste management uses, such as composting' was as follows:

- strongly support/support 88.5%
- 4 residents in Old Wolverton strongly objected