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Central & Eastern Berkshire – Joint Minerals & Waste Plan: Adoption Statement

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004

The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012

Notice of Adoption of a Development Plan Document

In accordance with paragraphs 26 and 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012, notice is hereby given that Reading Borough Council adopted the Joint Minerals & Waste Plan on 31 January 2023.

Bracknell Forest Council, Reading Borough Council, Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead and Wokingham Borough Council (the 'Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities') resolved to separately adopt the Joint Minerals & Waste Plan at their respective Council meetings on following dates:

- Bracknell Forest Council – 11 January 2023
- Reading Borough Council – 31 January 2023
- The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead – 22 November 2022
- Wokingham Borough Council – 19 January 2023

The Joint Minerals & Waste Plan is the principal document for the management of minerals and waste in the administrative areas of the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities and sets out the long-term spatial vision and strategies for sustainable minerals and waste development in Central and Eastern Berkshire up to 2036.

Independent Inspectors appointed by the Secretary of State, considered the Joint Minerals & Waste Plan during a Public Examination which involved public hearings held in two stages on 28 – 30 September 2021 and 12 October 2021.

The Inspector's Report, with its recommendations, was received by the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities on 21 October 2022 and was published online¹. The adopted Joint Minerals & Waste Plan contains the Inspector's recommendations that the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities have accepted.

The Joint Minerals & Waste Plan supersedes the Replacement Minerals Local Plan for Berkshire (2001) and the Waste Local Plan for Berkshire (1998) in the administrative boundaries of the Central & Eastern Berkshire Authorities.

¹ Central & Eastern Berkshire – Joint Minerals & Waste Plan webpage: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/berksconsult>

Any person aggrieved by the adoption of the Joint Minerals & Waste Plan may make an application to the High Court under section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 on the grounds that the document is not within the appropriate powers and/or a procedural requirement has not been complied with. Any such application must be made no later than the end of the six-week period starting with the date of adoption (31 January 2023). The challenge period for Reading Borough Council ends on 14 March 2023.

Inspection of documents

Copies of the adopted Joint Minerals & Waste Plan and associated documents, including this Adoption Statement, Sustainability Appraisal (incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment) Post-Adoption Statement and Habitats Regulation Assessment Record will be available for inspection on the website². Alternatively, documents will be available for inspection (during normal office hours) at the Civic Offices, Bridge Street, Reading, RG1 2LU.

Date of publication of notice of adoption (Reading Borough Council) – 3 February 2023.

Further information or copies of the documents can be obtained by contacting: -

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² Central & Eastern Berkshire – Joint Minerals & Waste Plan webpage: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/berksconsult>