

Annex K – Other Comments Representations Summary and Responses

Unique ID Reference	Summary of Issue	Response
CR1	Considers that Stanwell Quarry is in breach of planning consent.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR11, CR23	Disagrees with Surrey County Council charging at waste sites for the deposit of materials.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR10, CR27, CR37	Considers that permitting the Eco Park was a bad decision and has led to negative effects on residents in terms of fumes, noise, traffic, and danger.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR51	Considers that the location of some existing waste facilities is inappropriate. Considers that urban facilities should be closed and moved to rural locations away from centres of population.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.

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CR15	Highlights that the capacity of the Wilton Road waste disposal facility in Camberley could be increased by over 15% by opening 7 days per week. A further increase could be achieved in summer months by staying open longer than 4.00pm.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR38	Would like to see garden waste collection returning in Woking.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR9	Considers that future overdevelopment of Surrey should be stopped due to traffic concerns.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR9	Considers that non-native animals should be culled.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR37	Raises concerns about destruction of the local area in Spelthorne and particularly Shepperton.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.

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CR18	Considers there should be national strategies and education programmes so that everyone knows what and how to recycle correctly. Proper communication needed with the public about the part they can play.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR39	To boost engagement, there could be more information on the annual leaflet sent about bin deliveries to increase interest in recycling. Displays could be placed at supermarkets to encourage recycling too.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR39	Considers that children should be educated about minerals and waste in school, suggests a television programme.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
CR24	Considers that Spelthorne, northern Elmbridge, eastern Runnymede, north-to-mid Epsom and Ewell and north-to-mid parts of the two boroughs opposite, should not be subjected to major industrial extraction or emission works, due to existing pollution.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
CR39	Considers that the greatest challenge for waste management is politicians seeking to reduce expenditure.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR2	Residents of Hersham, Walton on Thames and Molesey oppose the use of land behind Hersham railway station for waste management.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR6	In Egham we have the M25 carving its way through the landscape. We are close to Heathrow, and we would be seriously adversely affected by the proposed Third Runway. As has already been said, the area carries the scars of previous gravel working. There is a strong feeling hereabouts that enough is enough - or to be more accurate, that more than enough is more than enough.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR6	The site of the existing recycling facility in Lyne is far from ideal, notwithstanding its proximity to the M25-M3 intersection and the Virginia Water-Chertsey railway line. It always seems shabby when compared with the facility at Martyrs Lane on the edge of Woking, but this is largely a result of the ongoing mess on land adjacent to it. A plan for improving the look of this area is very much needed.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR6 WR10	Raise concerns about planning applications for mineral working at Milton Park Farm and Whitehall Farm.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR11	Woking area - The proposed improvements to the A3 and the M25 around West Byfleet, Cobham and Wisley are anticipated to have a significant impact on traffic flows in this area over the next few years and will need to be considered for sites coming forward. Likewise, Woking town centre and the A320 improvement works are also anticipated to have a major impact on the local highway network within this area for several years in the future.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR11	Runnymede area - The works to the A320 as part of the Housing Infrastructure Fund Scheme are anticipated to have a significant impact on movements between Woking, Chertsey and the M25 junction 11 over the next few years. The Runnymede Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan will also need to be considered as part of any planning applications that come forward.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR11	Waverley area - There is a significant amount of working going on to address traffic capacity issues in Farnham and to identify improvements to active Travel Provision. This work is known as the Farnham Infrastructure Programme. Any re-development of minerals and waste sites will therefore need to address any infrastructure requirements that are identified as part of this programme. The Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure process for Waverley ongoing and will also need to be considered for any future developments.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR11	Elmbridge area - The Elmbridge Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure is currently being progressed. There are plans in place for a Weybridge Town Centre improvement project which is seeking to develop central Weybridge and create a better place for pedestrians and active travel modes. This is a major development and likely to impact on the wider local highway network. This will need to be considered for future developments.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR12	Seriously consider the causes and economics of managing fly tipping and address the issue of reducing plastic use in consumer and packaged goods by making the polluter pay by being responsible for the waste they produce.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR13	Congratulate Surrey County Council in moving towards a digital and interactive consultation format. The breaking down of documents into series, the interactive story, and infographic, we are sure will make the subject matter more accessible and has hopefully increased the level of responses received from county residents and local businesses.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR13	It is important that the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority provides a clear steer to local authorities on each of the relevant policy areas; but not necessarily appropriate to provide specific detailed guidance in all areas particularly where these are covered under other legislation, National policy or guidance, and by local plan policies.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR20 WR29	We are particularly concerned with two local planning applications: to quarry Milton Park Farm (Hanson 2009) and Whitehall Farm (Cemex 2020). We strongly oppose these applications, principally on grounds of danger to human health and increased flood risk to property, both while the minerals are being worked and long thereafter.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR25 WR29	Raises concerns about gravel extraction at Milton Park Farm and Whitehall Farm, principally on the grounds of air pollution, flooding (due to the area experiencing severe flooding in 2014, and the high-water table), and impact on the Green Belt.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR25	Raises that an e-petition was posted on the Surrey website asking to reject any planning application for mineral working within 1,000 meters (1km) of any residential settlements or schools in Northwest Surrey and signed by 402 people. However, this was later removed from the website as it was contrary to National policy. Considers that the voices of these 402 people should be considered when preparing the Minerals and Waste Local Plan.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.

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WR27, WR29 WR35, WR36 WR136, WR137 WR138, WR139 WR140, WR141	<p>Opposed to gravel extraction at Whitehall Farm, for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frequent vehicle movements. • Roads being covered with dirt from lorries. • Local infrastructure will be unable to cope. • Risk of sink holes and other damage. • Dust and sand not being cleared from roads and footpaths. • Location of plant close to communities. • The potential disruption to emergency service routes. • Air pollution (which is high in the area) and the effect this can have on health of residents and vulnerable people. • Noise and light pollution. • Destruction of green belt and interference with public footpaths. • The loss of a peaceful area of wildlife diversity/amenity land. • Traffic and noise from Heavy Goods Vehicle movements. • The potentially negative impacts on resident health. • Flood Risk. 	<p>Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.</p>
WR27, WR28 WR29, WR36	<p>Concerned about mineral extraction happening within close proximity of residential areas; due to noise, the impacts of large amounts of Heavy Goods Vehicle movements, dust, pollution (air and sound), the risk of damage to the Green Belt, flooding.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR25, WR27 WR28, WR35, WR36	<p>Believe that mineral development should not take place within 1km of any residential property, educational establishment, or hall of residence, or on greenbelt land.</p>	<p>Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.</p>

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WR29	Previously allocated and safeguarded sites should be reassessed in light of the Environment Act 2021 and the declaration of a climate emergency by Surrey County Council.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR29	In terms of oil and gas urge Surrey County Council to update its policies and to take into account the strongly held convictions that Surrey is not a suitable county for any further or future fossil fuel extraction. It provokes protest, disruption and expensive litigation as people demand cessation of our reliance on oil and gas and reduction in greenhouse gas emissions. The Surrey County Council cannot on the one hand declare a climate emergency and on the other continue with policies that promote applications for oil and gas exploration and extraction.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR29	Welcomes language referring to direct and indirect effects (of fossil fuel usage) and trust that there will be policy changes to assist with efforts to stop the extraction and use of fossil fuels.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR29	Supportive of report from the Oil and Gas Authority which caused the Government to suspend its support for fracking in 2019. This was a welcome U-turn, and the ban should continue in perpetuity and apply to any existing conventional sites proposing horizontal drilling.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR29	The protection of the countryside should be paramount, because that encompasses protecting not only the landscape and natural habitats, but also promises a lighter carbon footprint, cleaner air, less contaminated soil, and water pollution. Assessment of what is 'sustainable' and practicable needs to be brought strongly into line with mitigating the effects of global warming and achieving Net Zero emissions by whatever means possible.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR31	Requests a meeting with Surrey County Council to explore whether a liaison group can be set up, to discuss and possibly resolve our issues in relation to the impacts we are suffering from the operation of the Day Aggregates site.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR31	Concerned to learn that Woking Rail Aggregates Depot has no planning permission due to having existing use rights relating to its historic use as a coal yard. Over the last 40 years, the aggregates yard has become busier and busier and now there are hundreds of train loads processed a year with 280 Heavy Goods Vehicle's leaving the site every day. These levels are way beyond any processing of coal that would have occurred historically. Little consideration appears to have been given to the impact of limestone dust and sand on the resident's health or their properties and gardens.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR10, WR35, WR36	Worried that air pollution in Runnymede is above the national average. The introduction of an Air Quality Management Area has failed to improve air quality and reduce levels of nitrous oxides and particulate matter below 40 micrograms per cubic metre. Particulate matter droplets are so small that they can be inhaled and cause serious health issues. Small particles less than 2.5 micrograms in diameter can get deep into your lungs or even into your blood, causing millions of annual premature deaths globally. World Health Organisation recommends levels of particulate matter should not exceed 10 micrograms per cubic metre. Companies operating mineral extraction must provide protective equipment to their employees. There is no such protection for people who live near to mineral sites. Vulnerable people are most at risk, especially when the wind carries dust generated through mineral extraction and processing towards residential areas. Residents in Northwest Surrey are living with dangerously high airborne pollution levels.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR35, WR36	Opposed to gravel extraction at Milton Park Farm.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR36	Extremely unhappy with the obvious lack of consultation surrounding the proposals to extract gravel, perhaps because historically such proposals have rightly been turned down.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR36	Believes there is a mismatch between Surrey County Council declaring a climate emergency and allowing development at Whitehall Farm and Milton Park Farm. In a time of ecological and climate meltdown, Surrey County Council should be at the forefront of protecting the environment. Destruction of Green Belt and turning it into an industrial waste ground is to be resisted.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR36	Argues that there are Public Rights of Way crossing Whitehall Farm which are protected by the 1980 Highways Act and Surrey County Council has the authority to ensure that they are not blocked or diverted to enable extraction. Cemex plan to divert a right of way as they admit the high-water table would render it unusable, concerned about this.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR38	Considers that there is still potential for the Addlestone Quarry Extension (Preferred Area A – in the adopted Primary Aggregates Development Plan Document 2011) to come forward in the longer term. The focus is currently on completing the final extraction, filling and restoration of the current mineral working at Addlestone. Considers the extension should continue to be identified in the new Surrey Minerals and Waste Local Plan.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR38	<p>Considers the Surrey Minerals and Waste Local Plan should make provision for permanent aggregate recycling facilities (and reduce reliance on temporary facilities) allowing for investment and innovation and increased quantity and quality of recycling, in order to increase the use of recycled aggregates and reducing the reliance on primary materials.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR43	<p>Notes that much of the Parish that falls outside the current boundaries of the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and within a Minerals Safeguarding Area for soft sand. Having consulted with Buckland Estate, Buckland's major landowner, there are no longer any unworked viable areas of land within Buckland, referencing: areas that have already been worked out, extraction on land close to Sites of Special Scientific Interest designated land that has been previously correctly rejected by Surrey County Council, Buckland estate has stated it has no intention of restarting mineral extraction on Estate land – land which has also previously been rejected by Surrey County Council and the routing of a water supply main - the "Outwood to Buckland Water Supply Trunk Main Scheme" has created a significant additional constraint on land that was previously identified as potential mineral zones and rejected by Surrey County Council. For the above stated reasons, Surrey County Council should give significant weight to the Parish Council's firm belief that there are no longer any unworked viable areas of land within Buckland.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR44	<p>Combining a review of both plans together compromises the prospects for a new set of minerals policies in good time in advance of the expiry of the present set of policies. Consideration should be given to the preparation of separate Local Plans.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>

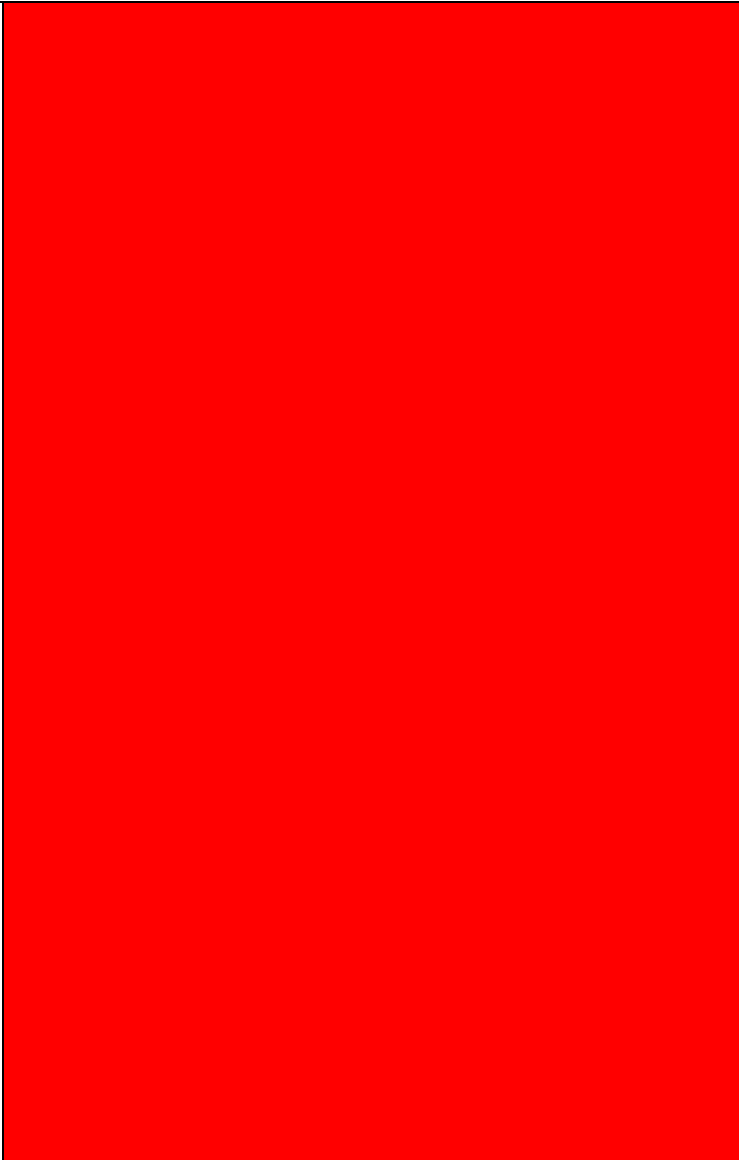
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WR45	Considers that Lambs Business Park should be an allocated site. States that there is a 300-metre live railway siding which could be used.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR46	Considers that there should be no further waste development in the Longcross area, particularly due to residential amenity, traffic and environmental impacts.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR50	States they are currently working towards a Design Freeze for the Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Opinion, at which point will provide provisional Order Limits, which it is requested be added to the Surrey County Council Interactive Map.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR50	Request that the terminology in the Acronyms and Glossary document be aligned with relevant legislation including the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016, as amended and the revised Waste Framework Directive.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR47	<p>[Household and waste projections] – (Refers to the table with the number of households in Surrey is based on historic projections and references the 2019 Waste Capacity Needs Assessment). However, the Government is soon to release a Planning White Paper. Changes in housing projections that align to the Government’s levelling up agenda should be factored into the Minerals and Waste Local Plan. The household and waste generation assumptions should be updated throughout the plan-making process to reflect new local plan agreements and emerging Government policy. Therefore, it is proposed that the Waste Capacity Needs Assessment (2019) relied upon at this stage is renewed to accompany the next stage of consultation reflecting post-Brexit and levelling up housing market trends in Surrey.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR51	<p>Concerned that Watersplash Farm may be included as a possible option in the new Minerals and Waste Local Plan.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR52	<p>Highlights concerns over highway network congestion in Tandridge, and therefore support the location of facilities in proximity to more sustainable modes of transport (where possible, whilst recognising minerals can only be worked where they’re found). Also given the size and quantity of associated Heavy Goods Vehicles and the rural and/or narrow configuration of highways has concern over significant harm that can arise to the amenities of local residents. States that where possible, new development should be located in as close proximity to the primary road network as possible, and such that routing of such vehicles avoids or at least minimises harm to residents’ amenities.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>

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WR52	Considers that the allocation of Hobbs Industrial Estate needs to be reviewed and any view would need to reflect the scale of waste to energy facility and the Heavy Goods Vehicles and highways implications which could put strain on the network and contribute to capacity issues on the A22.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR52	Considers that an updated evidence base is needed for re-allocation of Lambs Business Park in the Minerals and Waste Local Plan.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR54	Concerned that the method chosen for this preliminary consultation, namely the "tick box" approach encourages a superficial response to deeply serious questions relating to mineral extraction and waste management in Surrey. Whilst the presentation of options might be reasonable in a less serious topic, expecting the public to recognise the subtleties of the arguments is disingenuous especially when the expertise and experience of your own department could easily be called on to present the issues for the actual consultation.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR54	It is noted that there appears to be very limited recognition, in the consultation documents, of the effects of both waste management and, more importantly, mineral extraction, on the Rights of Way network and access to open spaces. It is anticipated that this will be rectified in the forthcoming "Preferred Options " public consultation. The only direct references are in Section 7 "Protecting the Green Belt, Environment and Communities." This is of concern in view of the pride Surrey has in its varied landscape and the extent of the legal permissive access to paths and open spaces for the public to walk, ride, cycle etc in the county. Also, the "tick box" method of suggesting "options" as the basis of proposed policy, makes the assumption that the responses offered are relevant to the responders without further elaboration.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR54	Changes in the water table brought about by mineral extraction can have an adverse effect on Rights of Way. It is suggested that you include a separate policy under "Water" to allow for reinstatement and /surfacing of Rights of Way where path surfaces are eroded or destroyed as a result of water damage due to mineral workings. This is particularly relevant at this time when Surrey County Council are short of funds, and it should be a specific policy that the companies who make a profit by mineral extraction should pay compensation for damage caused by their activities.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR55	In accordance with the paragraph171 of National Planning Policy Framework 2021, the plan should allocate land with the least environmental or amenity value. Natural England expects sufficient evidence to be provided, through the Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulation Assessment, to justify the site selection process and to ensure sites of least environmental value are selected, e.g., land allocations should avoid designated sites and landscapes and significant areas of best and most versatile agricultural land and should consider the direct and indirect effects of development, including on land outside designated boundaries and within the setting of protected landscapes.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

WR56, WR57, WR58, WR59, WR60, WR61, WR62, WR63, WR64, WR65, WR66, WR67, WR68, WR69, WR70, WR71, WR72, WR73, WR74, WR75, WR76, WR77, WR78, WR79, WR80, WR81, WR82, WR83, WR84, WR85, WR86, WR87, WR88, WR89, WR90, WR91, WR92, WR93, WR94, WR95, WR96, WR97, WR98, WR99, WR100, WR101, WR102, WR103, WR104, WR105, WR106, WR107, WR108, WR109, WR110, WR111, WR112, WR113, WR114, WR115, WR116, WR117,	Opposed to mineral working at Watersplash Farm, for the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The potential increase in traffic, specifically Heavy Goods Vehicle movements. • The sites proximity to two arterial roads. • The cost to local business of gridlocked traffic. • Concerns about lack of controls on Heavy Goods Vehicle routes. • Danger to local children from Heavy Goods Vehicle's. • The harmful impact in terms of emissions (including dust and fumes). • The harmful impact in terms of noise. • The impact on air pollution. • The increased risk of flooding due to groundwater levels rising. • Concern that flooding would cut off access to Walton Bridge. • The risk of further flooding after flooding in 2014. • The proximity to the River Thames. • Concern about the River Ash becoming overburdened. • The loss of Watersplash Farm and its natural drainage meaning that risk of flooding in the area would increase, and Property Level Protection measures would become less effective. • The removal of gravel which channels water and the replacement with impermeable clay. • The inconformity with Surrey's climate change strategy. • The embodied carbon from the development. • The effects of climate change making flooding more likely. 	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
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<p>WR118, WR119, WR120, WR121, WR122, WR123, WR124, WR125, WR126, WR127, WR128, WR129, WR130, WR131, WR132, WR133, WR134, WR135, CR26, CR27, CR33, CR37, CR52, CR56</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is in a densely populated area. • Proximity to the villages of Shepperton, Halliford and Sunbury. • The dangerous access and risk of accidents. • Increased cost of house insurance for properties near to the site. • Devaluing of houses due to the presence of the site. • The destruction of natural habitat and paths for walkers at the site. • The impact on flora and fauna. • The proximity of the site to the swan sanctuary and the effects this may have. • Concern about whether extracted gravel will be washed and if this will run off into the River Ash, creating pollution in the river. • Existing impacts of the nearby Eco Park. • Will destroy an area of open green space. • No workings should be allowed until the Thames Flood Relief Measures are completed. • Permission being granted based on flawed and incomplete evidence. • Concern over contamination from deposit of inert waste. • Possible archaeological destruction due to the 'Saxon Way' running through the site. • The location of Shepperton Studios and the Eco Park in the nearby area and the existing effects of these. • The risk of pollution to the aquifer based drinking water supply which feeds homes at Fordbridge Mobile home park. 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hydrological risk assessment proposed by CEMEX is flawed and the proposed mitigation measures are inadequate. 	
WR63	Suggestion that it would avoid confusion if Surrey County Council published details of the drainage proposals for the landfill at Watersplash Farm. There is quite unnecessary confusion and dismay at the thought the fill might cause flooding.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR119	Regarding Watersplash Farm, considers that Surrey County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority should insist Cemex carry out further modelling and provide further mitigation measures in line with changing conditions and the new climate change directives. Considers all mitigation should be carried out prior to extraction.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR78	The online form was very cumbersome and unwieldy and too complicated to even consider using to provide feedback.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR81	Public consultation should have taken place in Shepperton itself.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR119	There should be public consultation at Shepperton at the next stage of the Plan.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR83	If gravel must be removed from Watersplash Farm the area should remain unfilled as a wetland wildlife area.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR6, WR9, WR10, WR20, WR139, WR141	Considers future sites for gravel extraction should not be within 1000 metres of homes or schools.	Not a material planning consideration for the purposes of plan-making, or conflicts with one or more provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and/or the National Planning Policy for Waste 2014, or otherwise falls outwith the statutory powers of the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.
WR139	Considers gravel extraction should exclude sites where extraction would result in increased air pollution, flooding or destruction of the Green Belt.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR12	Local roads in Cranleigh Parish and surrounding approaches are heavily damaged by very large vehicles. Roads are not designed for intense large vehicle use and this should be a material consideration when deciding on the location of sites. Better transport planning to maintain damaged roads, that cause vehicle damage and reduce hazards to other road users, is needed.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR5	Considers the consultation comprehensively addresses climate and biodiversity issues. States it is encouraging to see climate mitigation and adaptation, biodiversity loss and net-gain, protection of key sites and habitats and improvement of their connectivity, the Waste Hierarchy and circular economy, rights of way and access to countryside and recreation, and opportunities to develop green and blue infrastructure networks through minerals and waste management development.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR9	If waste management facilities directly impact the health and wellbeing of residents due to proximity to home, schools etc. alternative solutions should be sought.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR9	The ongoing impact of climate change and the ever-increasing flood risks that are becoming a far higher risk must be factored into the mineral and waste planning strategy going forward. If a proposed quarry will impact the water table and in turn place residents at higher risk of flood, the plan should be rejected, and alternative solutions sought.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR9	The overriding objective when creating a policy which governs decisions on mineral and waste for the county should be to ensure the lowest possible impact on the environment in terms of any form of harmful pollution, be that air borne, water borne contamination etc. and associated impact of Heavy Goods Vehicle traffic which services quarries and waste facilities which in turn poses further pollution and road damage to the local community.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR11	The use of minerals and waste sites for enhanced processing can deliver significant benefits in transport terms – reducing the number of overall movements, and on occasion rendering trips obsolete if waste is produced, processed and used on site. However, enhanced processing may lead to sites being in operation for longer than they would have been previously, this can be offset by a reduced number of vehicle movements associated with them, and these movements being extended over a longer time period. For example, waste being treated prior to landfilling resulting in a lower material volume being transported to the landfill site. This is obviously beneficial in environmental terms but also beneficial in transport terms over a longer time period.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR11	Larger scale sites should consider access in more detail and where appropriate with routeing plans demonstrating accessibility to the Strategic Road Network. Typically, any larger scale site will require some form of transport mitigation to both the Strategic Road Network and the Local Highway Network.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR11	<p>New sites, and sites seeking planning permission, should be considered in the context of the current planning system, at the time of writing this includes the following transport related policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Planning Policy Framework 2021 • Local Plans/Core Strategies/Supplementary Planning documents and guidance from Local Planning Authorities • Surrey County Council Local Transport Plan 3 and 4 (4 is currently at consultation stage) • Transport Development Planning Good Practice Guide • Travel Plans Good Practice Guide • Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans • Department for Transport Local Transport Notes <p>Please note this is not an exhaustive list and is likely to be subject to superseded/enhanced by further guidance in the future.</p>	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR11	Transport impacts should be assessed, and appropriate Transport Assessments or Statements provided alongside Travel Plans/Statements to understand and mitigate any transport impacts that are likely to have significant or severe or unacceptable impact on both the Strategic Road Network and the Local Highways Network.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR11	<p>Current guidance and more specific design standards should be utilised for any access/mitigation works. Once again this is subject to superseded/enhanced future guidance, but as of the time of writing it includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design Manual for Roads and Bridges • Manual for Streets 1 and 2 • Surrey Design • Surrey County Council Standard Design Drawings • Department for Transport Local Transport Notes 	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR11	<p>Any works associated with the Highway are required to follow the Road Safety Auditing process as laid out within the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges and will be subject to further permitting or agreement between operator and the Highway Authority.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR11	<p>Green transport or low or zero carbon choices and other environmental policies are likely to come forward soon. This is anticipated to include additional provision in relation to Electric Vehicles, Autonomous Vehicles, electric bicycles, Demand Responsive Transport as well as a range of other transport related matters to encourage more sustainable transport choices. All sites that are expected to come forward, and any new sites, will need to demonstrate that these transport modes are considered as part of any application through the planning process.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR11	<p>Since minerals and waste management sites are likely to be located far from public transport options, travel plans are unlikely to be effective tools to limit staff travel by unsustainable means. A means of enabling sustainable travel to these sites from the outset, which is practical and feasible, should be secured by legal agreement or planning condition which doesn't rely on a travel plan, which are not considered to be effective for most minerals and waste sites. Limited parking at these sites should also be considered to ensure the alternative mode was used.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>

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WR20	<p>Quote from a recent report: Airborne pollutants: a serious risk to health: published in The Week, 9 October 2021 (page 21). The World Health Organisation has drastically reduced its recommended limits for airborne pollution, citing “clear evidence”, gathered from hundreds of studies, that even in low concentrations airborne pollutants pose a serious risk to human health. “A substantial new body of evidence has accumulated, further demonstrating the degree to which air pollution affects all parts of the body, from the brain to a growing baby in a mother’s womb”, said Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, the World Health Organisation’s director-general. The guidance limit for PM2.5 pollution – tiny particles produced by burning fossil fuels – has been cut by 50%. The limit for nitrogen dioxide, which is mainly produced by diesel engines, has been reduced by 75%. The limits have no legal force, but the hope is that they will be considered by city planners. We request this to happen in Surrey.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR23	<p>JJ Franks has submitted to Surrey County Council draft proposals for a soils recovery facility with associated recycling at Mercers South. This will form part of the ‘suite’ of measures which JJ Franks is implementing to deliver a high-quality restoration and adhere to best practice and waste management policy objectives to recover and recycle.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR29	<p>Considers this consultation presents the opportunity to revise the plan in light of the legally binding commitments contained in the Climate Change Act 2008 as amended in 2019 to achieve Net Zero by 2050. This is going to require massive societal and economic change and will impact on every aspect of how we gain, use, and dispose of our resources while reducing our emissions. Believes we must stop our pursuit of economic growth at the expense of our natural capital and a healthy environment.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>

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WR29	<p>In light of the 2021 Environment Act, a radical rethink is required at this Issues and Options stage of the process. We cannot stop producing waste or the need to dispose of it as efficiently and safely as possible, but we can reduce the amount and type of waste by encouraging recycling and the move away from single use plastic and packaging. Surrey County Council cannot on the one hand declare a climate emergency and then continue with policies that run counter to legally binding commitments. We trust that in considering the various options for waste disposal and mineral extraction that Surrey County Council will have regard to these goals in developing new policies and examination of suitable sites. Previously safeguarded sites must be re-assessed and abandoned where they are no longer viable or justifiable given what we now know we have to do to prevent future greenhouse gas emissions leading to increases in global temperatures.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR31	<p>As stated within the consultation documents paragraph 126 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 explains that the creation of high-quality places is fundamental to what the planning and development process should achieve. It emphasises that good design is a key aspect of sustainable development, creates better places in which to live and work, and helps make development acceptable to communities. We do not believe that sustainable development has been considered in the siting and design of the Days Aggregates yard. This facility is impacting on the local resident's health and wellbeing and provides a very poor and damaging environment in which to live.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR31	<p>In relation to the Woking aggregates yard this facility should be required to create a biodiversity gain with green buffers provided to the resident's dwellings and the natural habitats within the Basingstoke Canal.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>

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WR55	Expects the Plan to include strategic policies to protect and enhance valued landscapes, as well criteria-based policies to guide development.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR55	The plan area includes an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. We advise the Local Planning Authority to take into account the relevant Management Plan for the area. For Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, the Local Planning Authority should seek the views of the Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty Partnership. Development proposals brought forward through the plan should avoid significant impacts on protected landscapes, including those outside the plan's area and early consideration should be given to the major development tests set out in paragraph 172 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR55	The Local Plan should set criteria-based policies to ensure the protection of designated biodiversity and geological sites. Such policies should clearly distinguish between international, National, and local sites. Natural England advises that all relevant Sites of Special Scientific Interest, European sites (Special Areas of Conservation and Special Protect Areas) and Ramsar sites should be included on the proposals map for the area so they can be clearly identified in the context of proposed development allocations and policies for development. Designated sites should be protected and, where possible, enhanced.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR55	<p>The Local Plan should be screened under Regulation 105 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended) at an early stage so that outcomes of the assessment can inform key decision making on strategic options and development sites. It may be necessary to outline avoidance and/or mitigation measures at the plan level, which will usually need to be considered as part of an Appropriate Assessment, including a clear direction for project level Habitats Regulations Assessment work to ensure no adverse effect on the integrity of internationally designated sites. It may also be necessary for plans to provide policies for strategic or cross boundary approaches, particularly in areas where designated sites cover more than one Local Planning Authority boundary.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR55	<p>Welcome early discussion on the Habitats Regulations Assessment of the plan and can offer further advice as policy options are progressed.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR55	<p>The Plan should set out a strategic approach, planning positively for the creation, protection, enhancement, and management of networks of biodiversity. There should be consideration of geodiversity conservation in terms of any geological sites and features in the wider environment. A strategic approach for networks of biodiversity should support a similar approach for green infrastructure. Planning policies and decisions should contribute and enhance the natural and local environment, as outlined in paragraph 170 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021. Plans should set out the approach to delivering net gains for biodiversity. Net gain for biodiversity should be considered for all aspects of the plan and development types, including transport proposals, housing and community infrastructure.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>

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WR55	The Local Plan should be underpinned by up-to-date environmental evidence. This should include an assessment of existing and potential components of local ecological networks. This assessment should inform the Sustainability Appraisal, ensure that land of least environment value is chosen for development, and that the mitigation hierarchy is followed and inform opportunities for enhancement as well as development requirements for particular sites.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR55	Where development is proposed, opportunities should be explored to contribute to the enhancement of ecological networks. Planning positively for ecological networks will also contribute towards a strategic approach for the creation, protection, enhancement and management of green infrastructure, as identified in paragraph 171 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR55	Where a plan area contains irreplaceable habitats, such as Ancient Woodland, ancient and veteran trees, there should be appropriate policies to ensure their protection. Natural England and the Forestry Commission have produced standing advice on Ancient Woodland, ancient and veteran trees.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR55	A strategic approach for green infrastructure is required to ensure its protection and enhancement, as outlined in paragraph 171 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021. Green Infrastructure should be incorporated into the plan as a strategic policy area, supported by appropriate detailed policies and proposals to ensure effective provision and delivery. Evidence of a strategic approach can be underpinned by Green Infrastructure Strategy. We encourage the provision of green infrastructure to be included as a specific policy in the Local Plan or alternatively integrated into relevant other policies, for example biodiversity, green space, flood risk, climate change, reflecting the multifunctional benefits of green infrastructure.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR55	<p>Advises that the Plan should include policies to ensure protection and enhancement of public rights of way and National Trails, as outlined in paragraph 98 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021. Recognition should be given to the value of Rights of Way and access to the natural environment in relation to health and wellbeing and links to the wider green infrastructure network. The plan should seek to link existing rights of way where possible and provides for new access opportunities. The plan should avoid building on open space of public value as outlined in paragraph 97 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR55	<p>The plan should make provision for appropriate quantity and quality of green space to meet identified local needs as outlined in paragraph 96 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021. Natural England's work on Accessible Natural Greenspace Standard may be of use in assessing current level of accessible natural greenspace and planning improved provision.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR55	<p>The Local Plan should give appropriate weight to the roles performed by the area's soils. These should be valued as a finite multi-functional resource which underpins our wellbeing and prosperity. Decisions about development should take full account of the impact on soils, their intrinsic character, and the sustainability of the many ecosystem services they deliver. The plan should safeguard the long-term capability of best and most versatile agricultural land (Grades 1, 2 and 3a in the Agricultural Land Classification) as a resource for the future in line with National Planning Policy Framework 2021 paragraph 170.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>

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WR55	<p>Expects the plan to address the impacts of air quality on the natural environment. It should address the traffic impacts associated with new development, particularly where this impacts on European sites and Site of Specific Scientific Interests. The environmental assessment of the plan (Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment) should also consider any detrimental impacts on the natural environment and suggest appropriate avoidance or mitigation measures where applicable. Natural England advises that one of the main issues which should be considered in the plan and the Sustainability Appraisal/Habitats Regulations Assessment are proposals which are likely to generate additional nitrogen emissions because of increased traffic generation, which can be damaging to the natural environment.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>
WR55	<p>The effects on local roads in the vicinity of any proposed development on nearby designated nature conservation sites (including increased traffic, construction of new roads, and upgrading of existing roads), and the impacts on vulnerable sites from air quality effects on the wider road network in the area (a greater distance away from the development) can be assessed using traffic projections and the 200-metre distance criterion followed by local air quality modelling where required. We consider that the designated sites at risk from local impacts are those within 200 metres of a road with increased traffic, which feature habitats that are vulnerable to nitrogen deposition/acidification. The Air Pollution Information System provides a searchable database and information on pollutants and their impacts on habitats and species.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>

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WR55	The Local Plan should identify relevant areas of tranquillity and provide appropriate policy protection to such areas as identified in paragraph 100 and 180 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021. Tranquillity is an important landscape attribute in certain areas e.g., within National Parks/Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, particularly where this is identified as a special quality. The Campaign to Protect Rural England have mapped areas of tranquillity which are a helpful source of evidence for the Local Plan and Strategic Environmental Assessment/Sustainability Assessment.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR55	Expects the Plan to consider the strategic impacts on water quality and resources as outlined in paragraph 170 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021. We would also expect the plan to address flood risk management in line with the paragraphs 155-165 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021. The Local Plan should be based on an up-to-date evidence base on the water environment and as such the relevant River Basin Management Plans should inform the development proposed in the Local Plan. These Plans implement the European Union Water Framework Directive and outline the main issues for the water environment and the actions needed to tackle them. Local Planning Authorities must in exercising their functions, have regard to these plans.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.
WR55	The Local Plan should contain policies which protect habitats from water related impacts and where appropriate seek enhancement. Priority for enhancements should be focussed on European sites, Site of Special Scientific Interests and local sites which contribute to a wider ecological network. Plans should positively contribute to reducing flood risk by working with natural processes and where possible use Green Infrastructure policies and the provision of Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems to achieve this.	Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.

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WR55	<p>The Local Plan should consider climate change adaption and recognise the role of the natural environment to deliver measures to reduce the effects of climate change, for example tree planting to moderate heat island effects. In addition, factors which may lead to exacerbate climate change (through more greenhouse gases) should be avoided (e.g., pollution, habitat fragmentation, loss of biodiversity) and the natural environment's resilience to change should be protected. Green Infrastructure and resilient ecological networks play an important role in aiding climate change adaptation.</p>	<p>Comment(s) noted. Any issue(s) raised will be considered further and addressed as appropriate by the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority in preparing the Regulation 19 Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan to be published in 2023.</p>