

**CUMBRIA MINERALS AND WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK.**  
**Consultation on CHANGES TO THE PREFERRED OPTIONS**  
**CORE STRATEGY - 1 November - 14 December 2007- Response Form:**

The plan presents some detailed suggestions for policies, and you will probably need to look at the whole document, or the separately published table of policies and alternatives, in order to make a comment. You do not have to comment on every policy, but are welcome to concentrate on the ones that concern you most.

**NOTE: the boxes below will expand to fit your typing.**

<b>Is the plan as a whole sound? (see <a href="#">below</a> ** for explanation of the term)</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, what would need to be changed to make it "sound"?
<b>Policy 1: SUSTAINABLE LOCATION AND DESIGN.</b>	
Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?  The new core strategy policy 1 appears to have lost part of its originally broader context of "protecting and enhancing the environment" – (see CSO1 Feb 2007). As "Protection and Enhancement of the Environment" is part of PPS1 page 7) this wider statement that has cross links with protection of wildlife etc., we recommend that this should still be included in Policy 1 on sustainable location and design. Location can be of particular importance with respect to protection of the environment.
<b>Policy 2: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSETS</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
<b>Policy 3: AFTERUSE AND RESTORATION</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?  It should be mandatory for long term plans to be produced and a funding mechanism to be provided by the developer for the lifetime of the restoration and ongoing mitigation (this also applies to Policy 5).
<b>Policy 4: LOCAL ECONOMIC BENEFIT</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
<b>Policy 5: PLANNING OBLIGATIONS</b>	

**Copies of the document, sustainability appraisal, summary, and table of policies and alternatives can be obtained from the County Council website [www.cumbria.gov.uk](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk) , email [mwdf@cumbriacc.gov.uk](mailto:mwdf@cumbriacc.gov.uk) or ring 01539 773548**

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Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected? See response to Policy 3.
<b>Policy 6: COMMUNITY BENEFITS</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
<b>Policy 7: STRATEGIC AREAS FOR NEW DEVELOPMENTS</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
<b>Policy 8: PROVISION FOR WASTE</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
<b>Policy 9: WASTE CAPACITY</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected? Agree, although the phrase "capacity will be needed" appears to undermine the best efforts of CS Policy 10. Particularly since the "needed capacity" figures are so much higher than previously given, it would be preferable to make it clear that the Council is looking for an improvement on this figure if possible.
<b>Policy 10: WASTE HIERARCHY</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
<b>Policy 11: REDUCING LANDFILL</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
<b>Policy 12: WASTE SITES</b>	

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Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?  Suggest that the second bullet point also includes anaerobic digestion. Although biological treatment plants are covered under the first bullet point this second one is about energy generation from waste.
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**Policy 13: INTEGRATED NETWORK**

Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
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**Policy 14: HIGH AND INTERMEDIATE LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTES  
STORAGE**

Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
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**Policy 15: HIGH AND INTERMEDIATE LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE  
GEOLOGICAL DISPOSAL**

Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?
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**Policy 16: LOW LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE**

Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?  We note that identification of the need for alternative LLW disposal facilities and the provision of such facilities may take significantly longer than the ‘five year short term’ suggested as a period during which capacity may also be provided for LLW from other larger users besides Sellafield/Windscale . We would not wish to see the policy resulting in inappropriate storage of waste anywhere in the UK. We note that any future disposals at the LLWR near Drigg are subject to production of a satisfactory environmental safety case by the site operators for this
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	<p>purpose and the subsequent granting of an authorisation for disposal by the Environment Agency, after completion of appropriate consultation. We consider that in line with the Government's LLW Policy, the NDA national strategy for LLW should be developed further prior to adopting any local policy that defines how long the LLWR should continue as the national repository.</p>
<p><b>Policy 17: SUPPLY OF MINERALS</b></p>	
<p>Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?</p>
<p><b>Policy 18: MINERALS SAFEGUARDING</b></p>	
<p>Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?</p>
<p><b>Policy 19: MARINE DREDGED AGGREGATES</b></p>	
<p>Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected? Agree, however suggest the wording is changed to state that planning permission should only be granted for developments at appropriate sites that do not have unacceptable coastal impacts in addition to not having unacceptable environmental impacts as stated.</p>
<p><b>Policy 20: INDUSTRIAL LIMESTONES</b></p>	
<p>Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?</p>
<p><b>Policy 21: BUILDING STONES</b></p>	
<p>Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?</p>

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Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Policy 22: COAL BED METHANE</b>	
Agree <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disagree <input type="checkbox"/>	If you disagree, do you prefer one of the alternatives that was rejected?

**Definition of “sound”:**

**\*\* WHAT DOES “SOUND” MEAN IN THIS CONTEXT?**

When the Planning Inspectorate “examine” the next version of this plan, they will use the definition below to see if the documents are “sound”.

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“A development plan document will be sound if it meets the following tests:

**Procedural**

- i. it has been prepared in accordance with the local development scheme;
- ii. it has been prepared in compliance with the statement of community involvement, or with the minimum requirements set out in the Regulations<sup>47</sup> where no statement of community involvement exists;
- iii. the plan and its policies have been subjected to sustainability appraisal;

**Conformity**

- iv. it is a spatial plan which is consistent with national planning policy and in general conformity with the regional spatial strategy for the region or, in London, the spatial development strategy and it has properly had regard to any other relevant plans, policies and strategies relating to the area or to adjoining areas;
- v. it has had regard to the authority’s community strategy;

**Coherence, consistency and effectiveness**

- vi. the strategies/policies/allocations in the plan are coherent and consistent within and between development plan documents prepared by the authority and by neighbouring authorities, where cross boundary issues are relevant;
- vii. the strategies/policies/allocations represent the most appropriate in all the circumstances, having considered the relevant alternatives, and they are founded on a robust and credible evidence base;
- viii. there are clear mechanisms for implementation and monitoring; and
- ix. the plan is reasonably flexible to enable it to deal with changing circumstances.”

*Planning Policy Statement 12 : Local Development Frameworks: Paragraph 4.24*

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**Your details:**

All comments will be publicly available, attributed to named individuals or organisations, and displayed on our website. We also have to let you know how we responded to your comment, so we need your name and address, but to protect your privacy we will not put your address or other contact details onto the public view section of the website.

If you agree to this, please complete your details below.

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Thank you very much for responding to the Changes to the Preferred Options Core Strategy.

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