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Dear Sir or Madam,

## **CUMBRIA MINERALS AND WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK**

### **The Town and Country Planning (Local Development)(England) Regulations 2004**

#### **Regulation 26 Pre-submission consultation on Preferred Options**

This is a consultation about the County Council's first draft of its new plan for minerals and waste management developments. The plan relates to those parts of Cumbria that are outside the Lake District and Yorkshire Dales National Parks and is for the period up to 2018.

Following last summer's consultation about issues and options the County Council would now welcome comments on the first draft of its policies and proposals for minerals and waste management developments. These are set out in four Preferred Options documents:-

- a Core Strategy that sets out the overall strategy and vision of the plan;
- Site Allocation Policies that identify proposed sites for waste management developments and Areas of Search for minerals;
- Generic Development Control Policies that explain the types of policies that would be used in considering planning applications for minerals and waste management developments;
- Preferred Options Maps that show the sites that are identified in the Site Allocations Document and are intended as the basis for the Proposals Map Development Plan Document.

These documents and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage Sustainability Appraisal report can be viewed on our on-line consultation website via a quick link from the County Council website [www.cumbriacc.gov.uk](http://www.cumbriacc.gov.uk). Your details have already been entered to our on-line consultation software with the user name **GONW** and the email address

**chris.bamber@gonw.gsi.gov.uk**. If this email is still correct and you recall your password you will be able to enter your comments on line. If you would like to use a different email, or have forgotten your password, contact me on [mwdf@cumbriacc.gov.uk](mailto:mwdf@cumbriacc.gov.uk) and I will send you an email with a new password.

Please let me know if you would prefer CD Roms or paper copies. In addition to comments about the documents we would welcome suggestions for additional sites that could be considered for waste management developments.

Copies of the Preferred Options documents are available for inspection at County Offices, Kendal; The Courts, Carlisle and at district council planning offices between 0900 and 1630 hours Mondays to Fridays and at public libraries during their opening hours. Copies can be obtained from the Environment Unit, County Offices, Kendal LA9 4RQ, Tel 01539 773403.

In accordance with the Regulations, comments need to be received during the six-week period **1<sup>st</sup> March to 13<sup>th</sup> April 2007**.

Alternatively the comments form can be downloaded from the website and emailed to [mwdf@cumbriacc.gov.uk](mailto:mwdf@cumbriacc.gov.uk), or posted to Environment Unit, County Offices, Kendal LA9 4RQ.

Any comments may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address when a Development Plan Document has been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination under Section 20 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and when it has been adopted by the County Council.

Yours sincerely,



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