

**Appendix A: Proposed Response to the Pre-Submission Minerals and Waste Site Allocation DPD**

| Site Reference | Site Location                         | Proposed Response  |
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| MIN10          | Fakenham Road, East Bilney            | <p>This site has previously been assessed as not-acceptable for allocation due to improvements required to the local road network. Limited explanation has been received as to why this site is now considered to be suitable for allocation.</p> <p>Breckland Council has previously objected to the allocation of further sites within the East Bilney area, due to the cumulative impacts these have on the local community. Furthermore, the continued allocation is at odds with the dispersal strategy which has been promoted for minerals sites across the County.</p> <p>The allocation of this site is likely to have significant impacts on the wider landscape (setting of the Wensum and Blackwater). Whilst it is acknowledged that landscaping is proposed within the application it is questioned whether this approach is suitable in an area characterised by open vistas. This is supported by Breckland's Landscape Character Assessment which focuses on opportunities for sensitive and appropriate landscape restoration after mineral extraction.</p> <p><b>Conclusion: Soundness objection based on whether the proposed approach is justified.</b></p> |
| MIN 51         | Land west of Bilney Road, East Bilney | <p>Breckland Council has previously objected to the allocation of further sites within the East Bilney area, due to the cumulative impacts these have on the local community. Furthermore, the continued allocation is at odds with the dispersal strategy which has been promoted for minerals sites across the County.</p> <p>The allocation of this site is likely to have significant impacts on the wider</p>   |

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| MIN102 | Land at North Farm, Snetterton | <p>Breckland Council has previously objected to the allocation of further sites within the Snetterton/Shropham area, due to the cumulative impacts these have on the local community. Furthermore, the continued allocation is at odds with the dispersal strategy which has been promoted for minerals sites across the County.</p> <p>This site is adjacent to Swangey Fen SSSI, which forms part of the wider Norfolk Valley Fens SAC. In order to pass the habitats regulation assessment mitigation has been required within the site. Furthermore the site has also needed to be reduced in size. It is questioned whether a site which requires mitigation is necessarily the most suitable for allocation or whether one of the reasonable alternative options may be more appropriate.</p> <p>The site is partly located within the River Thet River valley. River Valleys within Breckland are awarded high protection through Policy CP11 Protection and Enhancement of the Landscape of Brecklands adopted Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD. It is considered that the allocation of this site would not be in accordance with the requirements of Policy CP11.</p> |

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| MIN108 | Land North of Hargham Road, Shropham    | <p>Breckland Council has previously objected to the allocation of further sites within the Snetterton/Shropham area, due to the cumulative impacts these have on the local community. Furthermore, the continued allocation is at odds with the dispersal strategy which has been promoted for minerals sites across the County.</p> <p>The site is partly located within the River Thet River valley. River Valleys within Breckland are awarded high protection through Policy CP11 Protection and Enhancement of the Landscape of Brecklands adopted Core Strategy and Development Control Policies DPD. It is considered that the allocation of this site would not be in accordance with the requirements of Policy CP11.</p> <p><b>Conclusion: Soundness objection based on whether the proposed approach is justified.</b></p> |
| MIN109 | Land South of Honeypts Quarry, Shropham | <p>Breckland Council has previously objected to the allocation of further sites within the Snetterton/Shropham area, due to the cumulative impacts these have on the local community. However, this site forms an extension to the adjoining Shropham Quarry. Furthermore, a planning application is now being considered for this site, and Breckland resolved not to submit objections in relation to the application. As such, it is proposed not to object to the allocation</p> <p><b>Conclusion: No Objection</b></p>   |
| MIN110 | Land South of Spong Lane, Shropham      | <p>Breckland Council has previously objected to the allocation of further sites within the Snetterton/Shropham area, due to the cumulative impacts these have on the local community. Furthermore, the continued allocation is at odds with the dispersal strategy</p>  |

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| WAS87 | Land West of Bilney Road         | <p>The site is proposed for inert waste recycling, as an ancillary operation to mineral extraction. Breckland Council has previously objected to the allocation of further sites within the East Bilney area, due to the cumulative impacts these have on the local community. Furthermore, the continued allocation is at odds with the dispersal strategy which has been promoted for waste sites across the County.</p> <p><b>Conclusion: Soundness objection based on whether the proposed approach is justified.</b></p>   |
| WAS19 | Land at Harling Road, Snetterton | <p>The site is proposed for a range of activities including composting, anaerobic digestion, processing of recyclables, inert waste recycling, household waste recycling centre and/or residual waste treatment processes. This could include energy-from-waste, thermal treatment and/or mixed waste processing.</p> <p>This site is located within the Snetterton Heath General Employment Area. The area will form part of the wider Attleborough and Snetterton Heath Area Action Plan, which is currently being prepared by Breckland. The allocation of the site for potentially a</p>  |

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|       |                                | <p>variety of waste activities is contrary to Breckland’s overriding vision for the area. The overriding vision for the area (as expressed in its adopted Core Strategy) seeks the development of high-tech motorsport and engineering development in the area centring on the racing circuit and the Motorsport Vision proposal. It is considered that the proposals for a range of waste developments should not be considered in isolation and if implemented have the potential to harm future investment and development of the area contrary to the Council’s adopted planning strategy</p> <p>Further to the above, the site is located within 400m of Eccles Road settlement. The proposed allocation does not define what the site will be used for, instead listing a variety of uses. As such the potential impact of the site on the Eccles Road settlement is unclear and Breckland Council object to the allocation.</p> <p><b>Conclusion: Soundness objection based on whether the proposed approach is justified and effective.</b></p> |
| WAS79 | Land at North Farm, Snetterton | <p>This site is proposed for inert landfill and secondary aggregate recycling.</p> <p>Breckland Council has previously objected to the allocation of further sites within the Snetterton/Shropham area, due to the cumulative impacts these have on the local community. Furthermore, the continued allocation is at odds with the dispersal strategy which has been promoted for waste sites across the County.</p> <p>This site is adjacent to Swangey Fen SSSI, which forms part of the wider Norfolk Valley Fens SAC. In order to pass the habitats regulation assessment mitigation has been required within the site. Furthermore the site has also needed to be reduced in size. It is questioned whether a site which</p>   |

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