

**County Durham Minerals and Waste
Policies and Allocations Document
Schedule of Minor (Additional)
Modifications**

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Introduction

1. The Publication Draft Minerals and Waste Policies and Allocations Document (Publication Draft M&WDPD) was consulted upon under Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 between 28 November 2022 and 13 January 2023. All representations made have been reviewed and carefully considered and it has been concluded that, subject to some minor text and formatting changes which need to be made (including updating chapter 1 of the M&WDPD to reflect that consultation under Regulation 19 has now been completed) that there are no matters arising from the representations that call into question the soundness of the Publication Draft M&WDPD or the legality of its preparation that would prevent it being submitted to the Minister for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities in its current form.
2. Following consideration of the consultation comments, a schedule of minor (additional) modifications to the Publication Draft M&WDPD are proposed. These modifications do not alter the meaning or substance of the Publication Draft M&WDPD and do not trigger the need for further assessment either by the Sustainability Appraisal or Habitats Regulations Assessment.
3. Notwithstanding this position, and in the interest of good practice, where necessary it is proposed that officers continue to discuss issues raised during the consultation period with stakeholders in the run up to the Examination, to further minimise their areas of concern.
4. The Inspector, in examining the Plan and in light of representations made, may conclude that main or further minor (additional) modifications are required to make it sound and capable of adoption. Any 'main modifications' made in relation to soundness will need to be the subject of further consultation. The council has authorised the Corporate Director of Regeneration to ask the Inspector under section 20(7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 to recommend modifications to the Plan, to ensure that modification, if required, can be made to satisfy the requirements of subsection (5)(a) and make the document sound.

Schedule of Recommended Minor Modifications to the Publication Draft Minerals and Waste Policies and Allocations Document

5. Minor Modifications are shown below by chapter. Where text is recommended to be deleted it is shown with a strikethrough and where text is recommended to be added it is emboldened and underlined.

Table 1: Chapter 1 - The Minerals and Waste Policies and Allocations Document

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Heading	Delete: ' Purpose of this document ' Replace with: ' <u>Introduction</u> '	To update text post consultation.	DCC Change
Para 1.1 and 1.2	Combine paragraph 1.1 and 1.2 as new para 1.1 Amend combined paragraphs: ' This document is the Publication Draft County Durham Minerals and Waste Policies and Allocations document (M&WDPD). It has been published to invite representations on its content. Following consultation, the Council will submit the M&WDPD to the Secretary of State for an independent examination by a Government appointed Planning Inspector. 1.2 It has The M&WDPD has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. <u>Consultation under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 was held during 2021 and consultation under Regulation 19 in late 2022 and early 2023. A Local Plan examination in [insert date] 2023 and the M&WDPD was subsequently adopted by the Council in [insert date].</u> Two stages of consultation were held on the M&WDPD during 2021 under Regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. This consultation is the third stage of consultation that is now being undertaken on the M&WDPD under Regulation 19 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.'	To update text post consultation.	DCC Change
Para 1.3	Re-number as para 1.2. Amend paragraph: ' As an once adopted as a Development Plan Document (DPD), the M&WDPD will form ¹ part of the statutory development plan ¹ for County Durham along with the County Durham Plan and any 'made' (adopted) Neighbourhood Plans, and together <u>Together</u> with the provisions of the County Durham Plan it will provide ^s the statutory decision-making framework for the determination of all planning applications for minerals and waste development in County Durham. It has <u>will</u> also replaced ^d all remaining saved policies of the County Durham Minerals Local Plan ² (CDMLP) which was adopted in December 2000 and the County Durham Waste Local Plan ³ (CDWLP) which was adopted in April 2005. The remaining saved policies <u>which have been replaced</u> are listed in Appendix B of the County Durham Plan and Appendix A of this document.'	To update text post consultation.	DCC Change
Para 1.4	Re-number as para 1.3.	To update text post consultation	DCC Change

Para 1.5	Renumber as para 1.4	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.6	Renumber as para 1.5. Amend sentences: 'It is intended to complement the policies of the County Durham Plan and has will not replaced any policy within the County Durham Plan. Given its role in complementing the County Durham Plan, it is intended that the time period of the M&WDPD will aligns with that of the County Durham Plan.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.7	Renumber as para 1.6. Amend sentence: 'Where necessary in relation to these environmental policy related matters the M&WPD will seek to add s value and provides s clarity to the policy framework which will be used to determine minerals and waste planning applications.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.8	Renumber as para 1.7. Amend sentence: 'In total the M&WDPD sets out twenty- four five minerals and waste related policies including four which relate to new allocations for minerals working and waste development.'	Typographical correction	DCC Change
Para 1.9	Renumber as para 1.8	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.10	Renumber as para 1.9	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.11	Renumber as para 1.10. Amend sentence: 'The M&WDPD is now being has been prepared in accordance with the timetable for its preparation as set out in the Council's latest Local Development Scheme (2022) ⁵ which can be downloaded from the Council's website.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.12	Renumber as para 1.11	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.13	Renumber as para 1.12 Insert new sentence after sentence 1: ' <u>The third formal stage of consultation under Regulation 19 was undertaken between 28 November 2022 and 13 January 2023 on the Publication Draft M&WDPD.</u> ' Amend sentence 2: ' <u>At both the Draft Plan and Publication Draft stages of consultation a</u> number of supporting documents were also published at this time including a document which assessed the potential minerals and waste allocations submitted in response to the call for sites 2021 and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulation Assessment Screening Report.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.14	Renumber as para 1.13 Amend paragraph: 'One of the changes brought about by the Localism Act 2011 was the introduction of the Duty to Co-operate with neighbouring authorities and key stakeholders when preparing plans. County Durham borders number of County, District and Unitary Council's and a National Park Authority.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change & Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17

Para 1.15	<p>Renumber as para 1.14</p> <p>Amend para to read: 'All strategic matters relating to both minerals and waste were addressed during the preparation of the County Durham Plan and at that time Statements of Common Ground (SOCG), documenting the cross-boundary matters being addressed and progress in cooperating to address these matters, were produced. <u>As part of preparing the M&WDPD the Council sought to refresh existing SOCG with all adjoining Councils, a number of which were updated with authorities who did not respond directly during the M&WDPDs preparation.</u>'</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.16	<p>Renumber as para 1.15</p> <p>Amend sentences: 'The Council consulted all adjoining Council's on the M&WDPD at the initial regulation 18 stage in January 2021, and on the draft M&WDPD in September 2021 <u>and on the Publication Draft M&WDPD during November 2022 to January 2023. No</u> and will continue to go throughout the document's preparation. To date no cross-boundary issues have been raised by any authority consulted.'</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change & Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17
Para 1.17	<p>Renumber as para 1.16. Amend sentence, 'This includes through the established North eEast Minerals and Waste Planning Officers Group (NEMWPOG) which all North eEast and adjoining local authorities are invited to attend.'</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.18	<p>Renumber as para 1.17.</p> <p>Amend sentence one and two to read: 'The evidence base which wasis <u>wasis</u> currently available to support the preparation of the M&WDPD wasis largely the evidence which was prepared to support the County Durham Plan. However, where necessary additional work has been undertaken. The Council therefore considers <u>considered</u> that the M&WDPD was supported by an up-to-date relevant and proportionate evidence base which has informed the planning policies and site allocations proposed within it.'</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.19	<p>Renumber as para 1.18.</p> <p>Add new sentence at end of para: '<u>A separate Waste Technical Paper was also prepared during 2021 and 2022 and was then finalised following publication of Environment Agency data at the end of 2022.</u>'</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.20 and footnote 9	<p>Renumber as para 1.19</p> <p>Amend footnote 9: 'The Council's key mineral evidence can be downloaded here: https://durhamcccconsult.objective.co.uk/kse/folder/52317'</p>	To update text post consultation and address MPA comment 17.	DCC Change & Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17
Para 1.21	<p>Renumber as para 1.20</p> <p>Amend sentences: "Working in partnership with other Ceouncil's in Northumberland and Tyne & Wear the Council published the latest iteration of the Joint Local Aggregate Assessment¹⁰ (Joint LAA) in April 2022.'</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change & Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17

Para 1.22	<p>Re-number as para 1.21</p> <p>Amend para to read: 'The preparation of development plan documents such as the M&WDPD requires the preparation of a number of other supporting technical documents and assessments. <u>This Consultation on the M&WDPD at its Publication Draft stage was</u> is directly supported by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Durham M&WDPD Updated Assessment of potential Minerals and Waste sites in County Durham – prepared in response to a call for sites 2021 (November 2022) – This document updated the Council's original appraisal of the new minerals and waste sites which were proposed by the minerals and waste industry as potential allocations following the call for sites which was undertaken by the Council between January and February 2021. • County Durham M&WDPD Heritage Impact Assessment (November 2022) – This document complements and has informed the County Durham M&WDPD Updated Assessment of potential Minerals and Waste sites in County Durham (September November 2022) and undertakes a detailed assessment in relation to both designated and non-designated heritage assets. • County Durham M&WDPD Statement of Consultation Regulation 18 Draft Plan (November 2022) - This document reports upon the consultation and engagement methods undertaken at this stage of the M&WDPDs preparation and sets out the comments which were submitted in relation to the Draft Plan, the Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulation Assessment Screening Report and the Council's response. 	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.23	<p>Re-number as para 1.22</p> <p>Amend sentence one: '<u>During its preparation the</u> The Publication Draft M&WDPD has also been subject to several assessments including a Sustainability Appraisal, Habitats Regulation Assessment and an Equality Impact Assessment.'</p> <p>Amend bullet 2 final sentence: 'The overall conclusion of the HRA Screening Report was <u>that</u> the proposed sites included within the Publication Draft <u>County Durham</u> M&WDPD do not have any alone (or in-combination) likely significant effects on the following sites:'</p> <p>Amend bullet 3 final sentence: 'An EQIA Screening Assessment has been undertaken <u>during the preparation of the</u> upon the Publication Draft <u>County Durham</u> M&WDPD and has concluded that there is no evidence of an actual or negative impact on protected characteristics.'</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.24	<p>Re-number as para 1.23.</p> <p>Amend para: 'The County Durham Plan Policies Map shows the spatial extent of policies within the County</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change

	Durham Plan. Following adoption, The Council's intent is that the County Durham Plan Policies Mmap has been will not be updated to reflect the allocations within the M&WDPD. during the preparation of the document but once adopted they will be added. A number of inset maps have been prepared for each of the allocations which are set out within the M&WDPD, which are to be used as the M&WDPD is progressed.		
Para 1.25	Renumber as para 1.24 Amend sentence one: 'Several other documents were also are relevant to the preparation of the M&WDPD.' Final bullet delete last sentence: 'The last AMR was published in December 2021 and provides updated information on waste management and on minerals including aggregates for both 2019 and 2020.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Heading	Delete: 'Making Representations on the Publication Draft M&WDPD'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.26	Delete: 'We would like to hear your views on the Publication Draft M&WDPD, the Sustainability Appraisal and the Habitats Regulation Assessment Screening Report. As this is the final stage of consultation prior to the submission of the M&WDPD to the Secretary of State and prior to the documents examination we need to hear your views in relation to both soundness and legal compliance.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.27	Delete: 'Representations should be made wherever possible on the form provided and should refer to the tests of 'soundness' explained below. The Plan will be examined against these tests of soundness (and legal compliance) and stakeholders are now asked to comment on whether the plan meets the tests or needs to be changed in some way to meet them.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Heading	Delete: 'Soundness and Legal Compliance.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.28	Delete: 'The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) contains a series of tests which local plans are examined against to assess whether the plan has been produced correctly and provides an effective planning framework for the area it covers. These 'tests of soundness' are set out as follows in the NPPF: a) Positively prepared — providing a strategy which, as a minimum, seeks to meet the area's objectively assessed needs; and is informed by agreements with other authorities, so that unmet need from neighbouring areas is accommodated where it is practical to do so and is consistent with achieving sustainable development. b) Justified — an appropriate strategy, taking into account the reasonable alternatives, and based on proportionate evidence. c) Effective — deliverable over the plan period and based on effective joint working on cross-boundary strategic matters that have been dealt with rather	To update text post consultation	DCC Change

	<p>than deferred, as evidenced by the statement of common ground.</p> <p>d) Consistent with national policy—enabling the delivery of sustainable development in accordance with the policies in this Framework.’</p>		
Para 1.29	<p>Delete: ‘ Consultation begins on Monday 28th November 2022. All comments should be submitted to us by 4.30pm on Friday 13th January 2023. Comments can be submitted on our consultation portal: https://consult-durhamcc.objective.co.uk/kse or sent via email to spatialpolicy@durham.gov.uk or by post to the Spatial Policy Team using our freepost address, which is Freepost Spatial Policy. No further information is required for the address.’</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.30	<p>Delete: ‘On request a Microsoft Word response form is also available. You can also telephone the Spatial Policy Team with any questions, to request hard copies of the documentation or to request further information: Tel: 03000 263 403’</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.31	<p>Delete: ‘A summary of all representations received to this consultation will be published in a Statement of Consultation together with the Council's response. Other than the name of the sender and company/organisation (if relevant) no other personal information will be publicly available. The Council will share details in line with the Spatial Policy Privacy Notice and when required to do so by law and/or statutory regulations. Any information and personal data will be retained securely and in line with Durham County Council's retention guidelines.’</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Heading	<p>Delete: ‘What Happens Next?’</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.32	<p>Delete: ‘Representations on the Publication Draft M&WDPD, SA/SEA report and other relevant documentation will be compiled and submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination. The Inspector who is appointed by the Secretary of State will then set out a timetable for the examination of the M&WDPD. The timescales post submission will be determined by the Inspector, but it is anticipated that the timescales for the next stages will be as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consultation on Publication Draft Plan— December 2022 to January 2023 ● Submission to the Planning Inspectorate in Spring 2023 ● Examination in Public Autumn 2023 ● Modification Stage in either late 2023 or early 2024 ● Adoption in 2024’ 	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 1.33	<p>Delete: ‘An independent Programme Officer will also be appointed to assist the Inspector who will act as a key contact point during the examination. Further information will be set out on the Council's website when it becomes available.’</p>	To update text post consultation	DCC Change

Table 2: Chapter 2 - Overview of Minerals and Waste in County Durham

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 2.8	Amend para: 'County Durham is the largest producer of aggregates in the North East Northeast of England and has supply relationships with surrounding areas. Crushed rock and sand and gravel working is the biggest extractive industry in the County today. In 2021 2020 , the last year for which information is currently available, approximately 3,220,000 2,613,000 tonnes of crushed rock and 553,000 438,000 tonnes of sand and gravel were won from County Durham's hard rock and sand and gravel quarries. Other minerals won in 2021 2020 included sufficient brick making raw materials to supply two of the regions three remaining brick works and ; quantities of building stone. No and coal was won, as from two of the remaining all former surface coal mining sites in County Durham the region both of which are now in aftercare.'	Typographic al correction and to update text to provide clarity	DCC Change.
Para 2.10	Amend sentence: 'In 2021 2020 , the last year for which information is currently available, County Durham's existing waste management facilities received approximately 2 million tonnes of waste.'	To update text post consultation	DCC Change

Table 3: Chapter 3 - Vision, and Objectives

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 3.1	Amend sentence: 'The vision of the County Durham Plan is set out below but is not part of this consultation '	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 3.2	Delete sentence: ' These objectives are also not part of this consultation. '	To update text post consultation	DCC Change
Para 3.3	Amend sentence: 'In addition to the objectives in the CDP it is considered necessary for the M&WDPD to contain a number of non-strategic objectives that specifically relate to minerals and waste development which collectively the M&WDPDs h individual policies will seek to deliver.'	Typographic al correction	DCC Change

Table 4: Chapter 4 - Minerals and Waste Development Management Policies Paragraphs 4.1 to 4.10 of the Publication Draft Minerals and Waste Policies and Allocations Document

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 4.2	Amend sentence: 'In terms of its specific role, the M&WDPD is not intended to be a standalone Minerals and Waste Local Plan.'	Typographic al correction	DCC Change
Para 4.4	Amend sentence: 'Mineral and waste developments within the county requiring planning permission must therefore be determined in accordance with <u>national planning policy</u> , the policies contained	To update text post consultation and address	Mineral Products Association (MPA)

	within the CDP and once adopted the M&WDPD unless material considerations indicate otherwise.'	MPA comment 19.	(Comment Number 19) & DCC Change.
Para 4.9	Amend sentence: 'This will ensure that the views of all stakeholders, including statutory organisations, Town and Parish Council's, neighbourhood forums, Area Action Partnerships, residents' associations and other local interested parties are sought at an early stage to ensure their views are known.'	To address MPA comment 17.	Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17
Para 4.10	Amend sentence: 'It is considered good practice that when pre-application engagement has been undertaken an applicant will submit a consultation statement with the planning application setting out what community engagement which has been undertaken and any <u>the</u> issues raised.'	Grammatical correction	DCC Change

Table 5: Policy MW1 - General criteria for considering minerals and waste development)

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW1	Amend policy criterion 2a: 'Protected landscapes, <u>and</u> landscape character and quality;' Amend criterion 2c: 'The H historic environment;' Amend criterion 6: 'Aviation S safety through the creation of new bird strike hazards.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.11	Amend sentence: 'It is acknowledged that not all elements will be relevant for every development, however, <u>and</u> applicants must consider the relevance of all criteria to their proposal as they may be asked to justify why they consider a specific element is not relevant.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.12	Amend sentence: 'Where there are specific concerns in relation to health, <u>a</u> Health Impact Assessment should also be undertaken.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.13	Amend sentence: 'Minerals and waste development can be a concern for local communities as a result of the potential disturbance or adverse effects that proposals can potentially have on human health and on the amenity of local communities, <u>including</u> both their living and working environments.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.13	Amend first bullet: 'In accordance with the Council's <u>s</u> planning validation requirements such an assessment can be undertaken through a Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment or a Visual Impact Assessment.' Amend second bullet: 'Light pollution - If not, properly controlled, <u>the</u> use of artificial lighting during periods of darkness can result in light pollution beyond site boundaries. This can be a source of annoyance to people and can affect the amenity of local communities, it can also undermine the enjoyment of the countryside or the night sky (especially in areas with intrinsically dark landscapes) and adversely affect the natural	To address MPA comment 17. To address deletion of unnecessary word and grammatical and typographical changes.	DCC Changes & Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17.

	<p>environment including wildlife in the surrounding area.'</p> <p>Amend second bullet: 'In accordance with the Council's planning validation requirements a lighting assessment will be required for developments which would involve the provision of significant external lighting which may have an adverse impact on residential amenity, the character of the open countryside or a heritage asset.'</p> <p>Amend third bullet: 'Air pollution - If not, properly controlled, increases in air pollutants can have harmful effects on human health and the natural and historic environment.'</p> <p>Amend third bullet: 'In accordance with the Council's planning validation requirements where necessary an air quality and or dust assessment will be required for all applications.'</p> <p>Amend fourth bullet: 'If not, properly controlled, noise from minerals and waste development can be a major source of disturbance and can adversely impact on quality of life, affect health and wellbeing¹³.'</p> <p>Amend fourth bullet: 'In accordance with the Council's planning validation requirements proposals that raise issues of potential noise disturbance or for new noise sensitive development in existing noisy areas will require a noise assessment.'</p> <p>Amend fifth bullet: 'If not, properly controlled, blasting at quarries can cause both ground vibration and air over pressure. It has the potential to impact on the amenity of local communities by having an adverse impact on people within buildings and can also cause damage to buildings and structures.'</p>		
Para 4.17	<p>Amend sentence: 'Proposals should also seek to avoid creating visually prominent extraction areas and orientate working faces to minimise their visibility, where possible avoiding breaching local skylines.'</p> <p>Amend sentence: 'In accordance with the Council's planning validation requirements where landscape impacts are likely a Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment will be required.'</p>	To address MPA comment 17 and 21.	Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17. Mineral Products Association (MPA) comment Number 21.
Para 4.18	Amend sentence: 'Consideration of adverse impacts should be in in conjunction with County Durham Plan Policy 40 (Trees, Woodlands and Hedges), Policy 41 (Biodiversity and Geodiversity), Policy 41 (Trees, Woodlands and	Typographical correction.	DCC Change.

	Hedges), (Policy 42 (Internationally Designated Sites) and Policy 43 (Protected Species and Nationally and Locally Protected Sites).’		
Para 4.20	Amend: ‘Applicants will be required to demonstrate that their proposal will deliver a net gain for biodiversity. In accordance with the Council’s planning validation requirements a number of specialist ecological reports will be required as part of a Biodiversity and Geology Survey and Report15.’ Amend Footnote 15 to read: ‘Biodiversity and Geology Survey and Report: A -Protected Species Survey and Report; B – Preliminary Ecological Assessment (PEA) & any further Specialist Ecological Surveys; C – Biodiversity Net Gain and Biodiversity Management and Monitoring Plan.’	To address MPA comment 17. Hyphen between ‘A’ and ‘Protected Species...’ amended.	Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17 and DCC Change.
Para 4.23	Amend sentence: ‘In accordance with the Council’s planning validation requirements a heritage statement will be required for all proposals whose scale or nature could impact on heritage assets.’	To address MPA comment 17.	Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17
Para 4.27	Amend sentence: ‘Given that minerals can only be worked where the mineral resource naturally occurs and the location of proposals for most waste disposal and waste recovery operations is within the open countryside, such proposals can have the potential to adversely impact on areas of best and most versatile agricultural land and soil resources.’	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.29	Amend sentence: ‘Applicants should demonstrate the acceptability of the proposed development in relationship to traffic and transportation as well as any impacts on the public rights of way and footpath multi-user path network.’	To address BHS comment 57.	British Horse Society (BHS) (Comment Number 57)
Para 4.33	Amend sentence: ‘Climate change is also addressed through the provisions of Policy MW12 (Oil & Gas Exploration, Approval Appraisal and Production).’	Correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.34	Amend sentence: ‘Other than facilities such as landfill most new waste management facilities within the County will be located on industrial estates, accordingly the requirements of County Durham Plan Policy 29 (Sustainable Design) which seeks to achieve zero carbon buildings and providing renewable and low carbon energy generation.’	Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.38	Amend sentence: ‘Similarly, due to the location of a number of the County’s large carboniferous limestone quarries and where further interest in working is now concentrated it is also potentially an issue along the A66 in southwest Durham.’	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.39	Amend sentence: ‘This will include, where appropriate, consideration of existing minerals and waste development in the area, sites with planning permission but where minerals and/or waste development has not started, current	Typographical correction.	DCC Change

	planning applications for minerals development (but not prospective sites for which no planning application has been made).'		
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Table 6: Policy MW2 - Mineral Exploration

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 4.41	Amend sentence: 'However, where the proposed mineral exploration is not classed as 'permitted development ' and planning permission is sought, it is important for safeguards to be in place to minimise the environmental, amenity and long-term impacts of the development.'	To address MPA comment 25.	Minerals Products Association (Comment number 25)

Table 7: Policy MW3 - Benefits of Mineral Extraction

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 4.43	Amend paragraph: 'The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) makes it clear that when determining planning applications, that local planning authorities should give 'great weight' to the benefits of minerals extraction, including to the economy. For the Council to give great weight to the benefits of mineral extraction (except in relation to proposals for coal extraction ²⁵) in the decision-making process, the applicant will need to demonstrate that they relate directly to the benefits arising from the proposed development and sufficient evidence will need to be provided to enable the Council to assess the nature and significance of the benefits.'	Grammatical correction	DCC Change
Para 4.46	Amend sentence: 'Improvements to landscape character contributing to the delivery of the County Durham Landscape Strategy;'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change

Table 8: Policy MW4 - Noise

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW4 Noise	Amend policy wording: 'Proposals for minerals development including minerals extraction, processing and restoration at minerals sites, surface operations associated with underground mineral extraction sites and waste recycling and disposal operations that form an integral part of a minerals sites, will be permitted where the operator can demonstrate that noise levels at specifically identified noise-sensitive properties and locations do not give rise to an unacceptable adverse impact. Subject to specific circumstances which may justify some small variation, noise limits will be established subject to.'	Grammatical and typographic correction.	DCC Change

	Amend policy wording criterion: 1e) 'Noise emitted as a result of noisy short-term activities will be permitted to facilitate essential site preparation and restoration work but should not, unless in wholly exceptional cases, exceed 70dB LAeq, 1Hr (free field) at specified noise sensitive properties during normal weekday daytime hours and will be permitted for no more than eight weeks a year. Where work is likely to take longer than eight weeks, a lower limit over a longer period should be set as deemed appropriate. To minimise adverse impacts, where such activities are permitted to occur operators will be expected to deliver temporary works at a lower agreed level of noise impact whenever possible.'		
Policy MW4 Noise	Amend policy wording criterion 2a: 'During daytime hours (07.00- 23.00 22:00) noise should not exceed background noise levels (LA90, 1hr) by more than 5dB LAeq 1hr;' Amend policy wording criterion 2d: 'During night-time hours (23.00-07.00) noise should not exceed background noise levels (LA90 1hr) by more than 0dB LAeq 15min; and'	Correction	DCC Change
Para 4.50	Amend sentence: 'To consider adverse impacts and minimise, mitigate and whenever possible remove noise emissions at source and ensure a good standard of amenity can be achieved, a noise impact assessment and noise action plan will be required.'	Typographic correction	DCC Change
Para 4.52	Amend sentence: 'Noise limits around minerals sites, including surface operations associated with underground mineral extraction sites and waste recycling and disposal operations that form an integral part of a mineral working operation, will vary in accordance with the existing noise climate around the proposed site and the time of day.'	Typographic correction	DCC Change

Table 9: MW5 - Air Quality and Dust

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW5	Amend policy wording: 'Proposals for minerals and waste development will only be permitted where it can be demonstrated that the proposed development will not have an unacceptable adverse impact either individually or cumulatively on the environment, local amenity or human health through 1. the emission of one or more air quality pollutants or which would result in unacceptable adverse impacts on air quality, on an Air Quality Management Area within the County; 2. or as a result of dust emissions from dust generating activities within a site. '	Typographical correction. Deletion of unnecessary word and addition of word for consistency. CPRE comment Number 4.	DCC Change & CPRE comment Number 4.

Para 4.55	Amend sentence: 'It advises that the UK has a national emission reduction commitment for a number of air quality pollutants ³¹ OBJ.'	Addition of missing words. Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.60	Amend sentence: 'This distance may be revised due to local circumstances such as the topography, the nature of the landscape, the respective location of the site and the nearest residential property or other sensitive land uses in relation to the prevailing wind speed, wind direction and visibility.'	Typographical Correction	DCC Change
Para 4.61	Amend sentence: 'It can include also include speed limits on internal haul roads, with plant operating with exhausts upturned. All Heavy Goods Vehicles entering or leaving sites should also be covered suitable to their load to avoid dust being emitted when transporting loose materials.'	Grammatical Correction	DCC Change

Table 10: Table MW6 - Blasting

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW6	Amend policy wording: 'Proposals for mineral <u>s</u> working will be permitted where the operator can demonstrate that, where blasting is required, there are no unacceptable adverse impacts either individually or cumulatively on the environment, and that the ground vibration resulting from blasting will not have an unacceptable adverse impact on people within buildings or to buildings and structures.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.62	Amend sentence: 'Within County Durham, vibration linked to quarry blasting operations is largely related to the County's hard rock quarries, where crushed rock aggregate is produced.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.63	Amend sentence: 'In certain parts of the County including -the Magnesian Limestone Escarpment where a number of quarries are in close proximity to one another and also near to populated areas, lower limits will generally be required.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change

Table 11: Policy MW7 - Traffic and Transport

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 4.66	Amend sentence: "This is due to the Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) traffic associated with minerals and waste developments which can cause adverse impacts on highway safety, on pollution caused by vehicle emissions, on local amenity through noise, dust, vibration, the physical separation of communities and visual intrusion caused by traffic flow.'	Remove additional word to provide consistency.	DCC Change

Para 4.68	Amend sentence: 'While currently limited there may be opportunities for more sustainable non-road-based transport of minerals and waste now and in the future. County Durham Plan Policy 48 (Safeguarding Minerals Sites, Minerals Related Infrastructure and Waste Management Sites) of the County Durham Plan has sought to safeguard minerals related transportation infrastructure including rail lines and alignments, rail links to quarries and railheads which could facilitate the sustainable transport of minerals by rail and by sea.'	Grammatical Change	DCC Change
Para 4.72	Amend sentence: "Planning applications for minerals and waste development which generate large volumes of movements should be accompanied by a Traffic Transport Assessment identifying the effect on the highway network of traffic generated by the proposed development.' Amend sentence: 'It will be important that all vehicular traffic generated by a proposal can safely access and be accommodated on the highway network in terms of both capacity and congestion and without having an unacceptable adverse effect on highway safety.'	To address MPA comment 27 and to grammatical correction.	Mineral Products Association (Comment Number 27) & DCC Change.
Para 4.73	Amend sentence: 'The Council will therefore seek to ensure that the most suitable route is identified as part of any planning permission and will seek to ensure that vehicles transporting minerals and waste, avoid or minimise the use of minor rural roads and utilise as soon as practicable the defined Lorry Route Network Map37of roads within the County.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 4.75	Amend sentence: 'It may also be possible to limit vehicle sizes in certain circumstances, for example when a minerals development is located in a sensitive area such as the an AONB.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.

Table 12: Policy MW8 - Mineral Rail Handling Facilities

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Paragraph 4.78	Amend sentence: 'The range of environmental issues that will need to be considered will be broadly similar to those relating to other minerals <u>development</u> . Amend sentence: 'In order to minimise impacts on local amenity, consideration should always be given to the location of such facilities in order to avoid local roads near to sensitive receptors such as housing'. Amend sentence: 'Preferably such facilities should be located on industrial estates or outside of the built-up framework of settlements so that local amenity issues such as noise and dust are avoided.'	Typographical correction and to remove additional words to provide consistency.	DCC Change.

Table 13: Policy MW9 - Borrow Pits

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 4.79	Amend sentence: 'While such applications in County Durham are rare, in recent years <u>s</u> planning permission has been granted to three borrow pits in association with the construction of estate roads in West Durham.'	Grammatical Change	DCC Change
Para 4.81	Amend sentence: 'Borrow <u>P</u> pits may result in proposals to import waste as fill to restore the site and as a result the Council will seek to ensure that this does not occur by seeking low level restoration when suitable onsite material is not available, unless this can be demonstrated to provide an unsatisfactory form of restoration.'	Typographic Change	DCC Change
Para 4.82	Amend sentence: 'The Council will always require the applicant to demonstrate that a borrow pit is the most appropriate mechanism to supply the necessary material for the associated construction project, <u>and</u> that the supply of material cannot be reasonably met using suitable secondary or recycled materials of appropriate quality or from existing quarries in the local area, <u>and</u> that the that the supply of material from such sources would be seriously detrimental to the environment and amenity of the area because of the scale, location or timing of the necessary operations.'	Typographic Change	DCC Change

Table 14: Policy MW10 - Ancillary Minerals Related Infrastructure

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW10	Amend policy wording criterion 5. 'That the proposed development can be satisfactorily located on employment land that is well related to markets and rail or <u>the</u> lorry route network except where they are located on a strategic or specific use employment site as identified by County Durham Plan Policy 2 (Employment Land);'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 4.85	Amend sentence: 'However, in all cases, it will be necessary to ensure that the ancillary mineral related development will not result in <u>an</u> unacceptable impact on the environment, human health or the amenity <u>of</u> local communities and on nearby businesses.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change
Para 4.87	Amend sentence: 'However, it is important that the siting of such development in what would normally be an open countryside location can be justified, <u>and</u> that any benefits of co-location are not outweighed by environmental and local amenity impacts.'	To remove additional words to provide consistency.	DCC Change.

Table 15: Policy MW11 - Periodic Review of Mineral Planning Permissions

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW11	Amend: policy wording: 'Through the periodic review of existing minerals planning permissions and the process of considering new schemes for modern working and restoration conditions on dormant mineral sites, the Council will seek to agree new schemes of conditions with mineral operators to modern standards to ensure that.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change.

Table 16: Local Liaison Groups

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 4.97	Amend sentence: 'Within County Durham there are several Local Liaison Groups which facilitate the exchange of views and information about specific minerals sites between representatives of the minerals operator, the Council, and where appropriate other organisations such as the Environment Agency and Town and Parish Council's and interested residents.'	Typographical correction and to address MPA comment 17.	Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17

Table 17: Chapter 5 - Oil and Gas

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 5.4	Amend sentence: 'The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) does require mineral planning authorities to plan positively for, the three phases of oil and gas development (exploration, appraisal, and production), whilst ensuring appropriate monitoring and site restoration is provided for.'	Typographical Correction	DCC Change

Table 18: Policy MW12 - Oil and Gas Exploration, Appraisal and Production

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 5.10	Amend sentence: 'This should detail the proposed schedule and methods of decommissioning activities, along with time scales, as well as anticipated impacts on the environment and local amenity, including through transportation and the mitigation proposed.'	To remove additional words to provide consistency.	DCC Change
Para 5.11	Amend sentence: 'Should any future planning application be granted planning permission, where necessary, planning conditions will be attached to any permission to ensure that environmental and local amenity interests are always protected.'	To remove additional words to provide consistency	DCC Change.

Table 19: Policy MW13 - Transport of Oil and Gas

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW13	Amend policy wording: 'Oil and gas should normally be transported from production wells by underground pipeline.'	To address CPRE comment 6.	CPRE (Comment Number 6)

Table 20: Chapter 6 - Other Minerals

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 6.1	Amend para: 'This C chapter addresses several types of economically important mineral resources which have been safeguarded in the County Durham Plan including the vein minerals, Fluorspar and Barytes and Silica Sand all of which are known to be present in County Durham and have been worked in the recent past but are not currently worked today. It also addresses M metalliferous minerals principally Zinc which has not been worked within the North Pennines for many years but has been subject to continued commercial interest over the past twenty-five years and Lithium which is now currently subject to interest for exploration in several locations within the United Kingdom, including both Cornwall and County Durham.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 6.3	Amend sentence: 'The C chapter explains that these mineral resources (except for some peat) all occur within West Durham which is recognised to be the most environmentally sensitive part of County Durham. Amend sentence: 'Should proposals for future extraction occur in the future, the impact of any future working on the environment and the amenity of local communities will be key consideration in determining any future such proposals.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.

Table 21: Policy MW14 - Vein Minerals, Metalliferous minerals, Lithium and Silica Sand

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW14	Amend policy wording criterion 2: 'Given the complex geological and hydrogeological locations associated with Lithium extraction which is a novel form of mineral extraction a phased a risk-based approach will be required.'	Grammatical correction.	Mineral Products Association (Comment Number 28)
Policy MW14	Amend policy wording criterion 2c: 'A decommissioning strategy is submitted which provides for the restoration and aftercare of extraction and processing site or site's to a high standard at the earliest opportunity following the cessation of extraction is submitted and agreed.'	Grammatical correction.	Mineral Products Association (Comment Number 28)

Para 6.4	Amend sentence: 'County Durham contains a major part of the North Pennine O orefield which also extends into the adjoining C counties of Northumberland, Cumbria and North Yorkshire.'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 6.6	Amend sentence: 'The United Kingdom Minerals Yearbook reported that in 2019 12,000 tonnes of Fluorspar were produced. Growth in new markets has led to the inclusion of Fluorspar on by the EU on its fourth list of critical minerals in 2020.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 6.7	Amend sentence: 'However, it is now expected that exploration activities may now occur during the plan period. Whether commercially viable accessible resources remain is unknown.'	Typographic Correction.	DCC Change
Para 6.9	Amend sentence: 'The United Kingdom Minerals Yearbook reported that in 2019 an estimated 50,000 tonnes of Barytes were produced. Growth in new markets has led to the inclusion of Barytes on by the EU on its fourth list of critical minerals in 2020.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 6.11	Amend sentence: 'Nonetheless, over the last thirty years there has been continued interest in large scale commercial interest within the North Pennines Orefield, including during 2012 to 2015 around the Nenthead area.'	Grammatical correction	DCC Change
Para 6.14	Amend sentence: 'Since 2017 two exploration companies, Cornish Lithium Ltd and British Lithium Limited, have started exploring for lithium in s South- w West England and Northern Lithium have started exploring for Lithium in Weardale.'	Typographic Correction.	DCC Change
Para 6.18	Amend sentence: 'The NPPF also requires that local planning authorities to make provision for a steady and adequate supply of industrial minerals.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change
Para 6.20	Amend sentence: 'Currently the need for several of the minerals addressed by this c Chapter are either being met elsewhere in the country or are not yet being met at all in the United Kingdom. In such instances it is not possible therefore to comply fully with the requirements of the NPPF and PPG. There is also currently no national demand forecast for any of the minerals addressed by this c Chapter.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 6.22	Amend sentence: 'Given the potential role of certain minerals in considering planning applications for such proposals, the Council will carefully consider whether the proposal is required to provide for the extraction of a steady and adequate supply of industrial or other minerals which are essential to help maintain national supply and/or meet net zero carbon ambitions and whether the proposal is required for for the purposes for of which their specific qualities are essential. In addition, we will also need to ensure that great weight will be given to the benefits of their extraction in accordance with Policy MW3 (Benefits of Mineral Extraction).'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 6.24	Amend sentence: 'Should any proposals for their exploration or working come forward such applications will need to be determined against all	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.

	relevant polices of the County Durham Plan and the M&WDPD.		
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Table 22: Chapter 7 - Waste

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 7.4	Amend sentence: 'Over the last three years (2018 to 2020 2019 to 2021), approximately 1.9 million tonnes of inert waste was disposed to landfill in these three sites with a further 446,000 328,000 tonnes at non-inert landfill sites. A sizeable proportion of this waste originated from outside of County Durham.'	To update text.	DCC Change.
Para 7.5	Amend sentences: 'County Durham also has one remaining Non-Hazardous Landfill site (Aycliffe East Quarry Landfill) where non-hazardous waste and some hazardous waste is landfilled in a specifically engineered cell ⁵⁴ . Over the last three years (2018 to 2020 2019 to 2021) approximately 289,000 262,000 tonnes of non-hazardous waste and approximately 6,000 5,000 tonnes of hazardous waste was disposed to landfill in this site. A large proportion of this non-hazardous waste is Local Authority Collected local authority collected waste from Darlington Borough together with quantities of commercial waste and smaller quantities of inert waste	To update text. Typographic Change.	DCC Change.
Para 7.7	Delete first sentence: ' Proposals for waste development will require an environment permit or exemption from the Environment Agency. '	Unnecessary repetition with sentence 2.	DCC Change

Table 23 Policy MW17 - Inert Waste Disposal via landfill

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Policy MW17	Amend policy wording criterion 5: 'The proposal includes a high-quality restoration scheme, and the resulting final landform, landscaping and after-uses are sympathetically designed and enhance the natural environment and meet the applicable requirements of Policy MW 22 20 (Mineral Site Restoration, Landfill and Landraise); and '	Typographical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 7.10	Amend sentence: 'Applicants should seek to provide evidence as to the nature of their proposed development i.e., whether it is a waste disposal or a waste recovery operation.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 7.12	Amend sentence: 'Such proposals would also require inert material which can usually be more readily recycled. They could also result in the diversion of soils and clays from other sites which may need these materials to achieve approved landforms and after-uses and may impede and delay their timely and proper restoration.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 7.14	Amend sentence: 'In all instances, it will be necessary for the applicant to demonstrate that the same benefit cannot be achieved in another	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.

	way and the amount of material which is proposed to be used for the operation must be the minimum amount required.'		
Para 7.22	Amend sentence: 'However, because of a combination of European Union (EU) policy (including through the requirements and implementation of the EU Landfill Directive and EU Waste Framework Directive) ⁵⁶ , national waste policy and measures such as the Landfill Tax and local policy and strategies, including the County Durham Waste Local Plan and County Durham Municipal Waste Management Strategy, this has now changed.'" Insert new footnote No 56: 'Including through the requirements and implementation of the EU Landfill Directive and EU Waste Framework Directive.'	Grammatical change to shorten sentence and insert new footnote.	DCC Change.
Para 7.23	Amend sentence: 'It is expected that over the lifetime of the plan that sufficient alternative treatment solutions higher up the waste hierarchy will come on stream to manage the non-hazardous waste stream in County Durham and the North East, either within County Durham or in nearby adjoining areas of the North East.'	Grammatical change.	DCC Change.
Para 7.24	Amend sentence: 'Proposals for disposal of non-hazardous waste which arises from locations outside County Durham will be resisted as the creation of capacity to dispose of non-hazardous waste from other areas would not be consistent with the proximity principle.'	Grammatical change	DCC Change.
Para 7.30	Amend sentence: 'The e East of the County lies on a major aquifer, a vital source of groundwater. The main groundwater abstraction points are numerous and subject to change.'	Typographic change	DCC Change.

Table 24: Policy MW20 - Mineral Site Restoration, Landfill and Landraise

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	.
Para 8.1	Second bullet: 'Concreting plants which are can be located on industrial estates.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change
Para 8.3	Amend sentence: 'To ensure high quality restoration, applicants are therefore always encouraged therefore to discuss their proposals for restoration, after-use, and aftercare with the Council prior to planning applications being submitted.' Amend sentence: 'This is considered particularly important where their proposals are near to local communities.'	Grammatical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 8.4	Amend sentence: 'However, for some larger and longer-term sites and when a substantial change to an existing restoration scheme is proposed, a restoration masterplan may be required together with the submission of further detailed restoration proposals at specified stages of the development.'	Typographic correction	DCC Change
Para 8.11	Amend sentence: 'Once sites have fulfilled their primary purpose, their restoration should seek to	Typographic correction	DCC Change

	enhance the wider environment through the delivery of beneficial after-uses.'		
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Table 25: Chapter 9 - Potential Non-Strategic Minerals and Waste Allocations

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Chapter Title	Amend chapter title: Chapter 9 - Potential Non-Strategic Minerals and Waste Allocations '	To update text post consultation.	DCC Change.
Para 9.2	Amend para: 'Through the strategic policies of the County Durham Plan the Council sought to ensure a steady and adequate supply of minerals over the plan period to meet society's needs. County Durham Plan Policy 49 (Primary Aggregates Provision) of the County Durham Plan sets out the scale of future aggregate working based upon the Council's Local Aggregate Assessment ⁶⁴ at the time that the County Durham Plan was prepared. The policy advised that given the extent of existing permitted reserves of magnesian limestone and dolerite, that no further provision would be required over the Plan period for these two mineral types. However, a need was identified for a further 14.3 million tonnes of carboniferous limestone, which subject to acceptable planning applications forthcoming would supplement existing permitted reserves. This was considered necessary to ensure that supplies of carboniferous limestone within County Durham would not become depleted and largely exhausted over the period to 2035. County Durham Plan Policy 50 (Locational Approach to the Future Supply of Primary Aggregates) sets out the locational approach to the future supply of primary aggregates including for any proposals for non-strategic sites in the M&WDPD and for planning applications. County Durham Plan Policy 52 (Brick Making Raw Materials) sets out the approach to ensuring that a steady and adequate supply of brick making raw materials can be maintained. County Durham Plan Policy 53 (Surface Mined Coal and Fireclay) and County Durham Plan Policy 54 (Natural Building and Roofing Stone) address their relevant minerals. Finally, County Durham Plan Policy 60 (Waste Management Provision) addresses future waste provision and within its provisions sets out the waste management capacity gap or surplus for specific waste facility types.'	To provide clarity. Grammatical Change.	DCC Change.
Para 9.4	Amend para: 'These three sites were for two Preferred Areas for carboniferous limestone, a 3.7 million tonne allocation to the west of Heights Quarry near Eastgate in Weardale and an 8.2 million tonne eastern extension to Hulands Quarry near Bowes in Teesdale (County	To provide clarity.	DCC Change.

	Durham Plan Policy 58) and one Strategic Area of Search for coal measures mudstone, to meet the future needs of Todhills Brickworks near Newfield (County Durham Plan Policy 59).’		
Para 9.10	Amend sentence: ‘Permitted reserves of Basal Permian sand at Thrislington West Quarry have been worked more quickly and are now expected to be exhausted by 2025, which is five years before the site site’s planning permission ends in 2030.’ Amend sentences: ‘Further to this, the Council’s Local Aggregate Assessment has considered further the likelihood of inactive sites contributing to future supply and for the time being discounted, the prospect of working resuming at Hummerbeck ⁶⁸ 68 , which is a very old sand and gravel site dating from 1969. The scale of overall sales has also increased because of sand and gravel working commencing at Low Harperley Quarry near Wolsingham ⁶⁹ 69 ’	To address MPA comment 26 and typographical corrections.	Mineral Products Association comment Number 26 and DCC Change.
Table 1	Amend Table 1: Sand and Gravel Supply Forecasts (2021 to 2035). Row C second column. ‘Demand Forecast 01/01/2021 to 31 12 /2035 (15 years)’	Typographical correction.	Mineral Products Association comment Number 30.
Para 9.14	Amend sentence: ‘The latest Local Aggregate Assessment advised that provision remains for a further 2.93 million tonnes of carboniferous limestone to be made to meet the County Durham Plan target of 44.4 14.3 million tonnes.’	Typographical correction to reflect CDP Policy 49.	DCC Change
Para 9.17	Amend sentence: ‘Previous Local Aggregate Assessments have reported a degree of uncertainty over the future of County Durham’s one dolerite quarry (Force Garth Quarry) which has planning permission for mineral extraction until 2042. While the periodic review of this site under the Environment Act is ongoing, the Council concluded a Regulation 63 Review under the Conservation of the Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (as amended) in 2015.’	Typographic Correction.	DCC Change.
Para 9.19	Amend sentence: ‘The Council’s reasoning for the allocation or non-allocation of sites is set out within the County Durham M&WDPD Assessments of potential Minerals and Waste sites in County Durham – submitted in response to a call for sites 2021 (November2022) the accompanying assessment document⁷⁵ which has been updated following consultation on the Draft M&WDPD last year. ’	To update text post consultation.	DCC Change
Para 9.22	Amend sentence: ‘While there is no shortfall of need for magnesian limestone aggregate, the deposits overlying the basal Permian sand north of Crime Rigg Quarry will also contribute to the steady and adequate supply of magnesian limestone and maintain productive capacity.’	Typographic Correction.	DCC Change.

Table 26: Policy MW21 - Site specific allocations at Thrislington West Quarry

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Heading	Amend heading: 'Policy MW21- Site specific allocations at Thrislington West Quarry'.	Typographical correction.	DCC Change.
Para 9.23	Amend sentence: 'Thrislington West Quarry is a large magnesian limestone and Basal Permian sand quarry, located on the Magnesian Limestone Escarpment to the S south of West Cornforth and east of Ferryhill. '	Typographic Correction.	DCC Change.

Table 27: Policy MW22 - Site Specific Allocation Northern Extension to Crime Rigg Quarry

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 9.29 criterion c	Amend criterion: 'Biodiversity - The site allocation is open arable farmland divided by a network of hedgerows and in frequent infrequent trees and there are no ecological designations within or near to the site allocation. However, a full ecological assessment of the site would be expected at the planning application stage;'	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.
Para 9.29 criterion g	Amend sentences: 'However, given the geology of the site allocation and its location directly to the north of the existing Crime Rigg Quarry Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), it also has the potential to provide geological exposures which are comparable with the existing Crime Rigg Quarry SSSI. In accordance with Policy MW24 23 , the acceptability of a planning application for further inert waste disposal within the void of the existing Crime Rigg Quarry (south of the B1283), which would have an adverse effect on Crime Rigg Geological SSSI will be dependent upon the submission of sufficient geological, environmental and economic evidence to demonstrate the viability of the northern extension becoming the replacement geological SSSI, whilst at the same time demonstrating that comparable special interest features will be exposed within the allocation during the transition period (i.e., the landfill operations are concurrent with the new SSSI interest feature exposures).'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change.

Table 28 Policy MW23 - Site Specific Allocation Inert Waste Disposal at Crime Rigg Quarry

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 9.32	Amend sentence: 'However, it is recognised that as an existing quarry with a landfill within it, that subject to a satisfactory detailed assessment of the site's environmental acceptability, that further	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.

	landfilling at this site could contribute to longer term need for inert waste disposal.'		
Para 9.34	Amend sentence: 'Subject to an acceptable planning application being submitted, the site allocation could provide additional void space capacity which would enable inert waste disposal to continue once the existing remaining void space is exhausted, and could contribute to help meeting the identified need for waste disposal in the County Durham Plan to 2035.'	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.
Para 9.35 criterion e	Amend sentence: 'Through the preparation of a planning application a detailed hydrological and hydrogeological investigation and risk assessment will be required;'	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.

Table 29: Policy MW24 - Site Specific Allocation Inert Waste Disposal at Cold Knuckle Quarry

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 9.36	Amend sentence: 'There are currently a number of planning permissions at the combined Old Quarrington and Cold Knuckle Quarry, however, planning permission at Cold Knuckles Quarry currently requires that restoration of the quarry by 3rd July 2026.'	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.
Para 9.38	Amend sentence: 'The allocation would contribute to meeting the identified need for waste disposal in the County Durham Plan but given the scale of proposed disposal would not alone meet ongoing disposal requirements which are currently met in County Durham for inert waste by Crime Rigg Quarry L landfill, Bishop Middleham Quarry L landfill and Old Quarrington Quarry L landfill.'	Typographic Correction.	DCC Change.
Para 9.39	Amend sentence: 'The site allocation lies within an operational quarry and whilst being overlain by two local environmental designations (Old Quarrington Quarry Local Geology Site (LGS) and Quarrington Hill & Coxhoe Bank Plantation Local Wildlife Site (LWS)), which These have already been considered through the existing planning permissions for the existing operational quarry.'	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.
Paragraph 9.39 criterion a	Amend sentence: 'Subject to detailed design, there would be it is unlikely that there would be significant effects on landscape character during the operational period and post restoration, but this will need to be confirmed through a future planning application;'	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.

Table 30: Chapter 10 - Monitoring and Implementation Framework

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Para 10.2	Amend sentence: 'It also aligns with the monitoring that is undertaken separately by the Council's Planning Development Centre Management Team which monitors all minerals and major waste planning permissions granted by the Council through its monitoring and enforcement role.'	To address MPA comment 17. Grammatical Correction.	Mineral Products Association (MPA) Comment Number 17 & DCC Change.
Para 10.3	Amend sentence: 'The policies set out in the M&WDPD will primarily be implemented through the development management process, through the process of determining determination of planning applications and through the consideration of the outcome of any appeals following the refusal of planning permission by the Council.'	Grammatical Correction.	DCC Change.
Para 10.4	Amend para: 'Alongside the AMR, a requirement to prepare a Local Aggregates Assessment (LAA) was introduced through the publication of the National Planning Policy Framework in March 2012. For many years within the North East of England, Durham County Council, Northumberland County Council, Northumberland National Park Authority, Sunderland City Council, South Tyneside Council, North Tyneside Council, Newcastle City Council and Gateshead Council have prepared prepare a Joint Local Aggregate Assessment (Joint LAA). This has been is a longstanding approach to joint working on this matter of cross boundary strategic importance. However, due to a timing issue a Joint LAA was not produced for the 2021 monitoring year. The Joint Council's LAA is updated annually, with key information being reported within the AMR where relevant. In addition, the Council also monitors a wide range of waste management information obtained from several sources but principally from the Environment Agency. This information has been is compiled into the Council's Waste Technical Paper with key information being reported within the AMR where relevant.'	To address MPA comment 31.	Mineral Products Association (Comment Number 31)
Para 10.5	Add new sentence at end of para: ' <u>It is intended that the policies of the M&WDPD will be monitored on an annual basis. However, due to the limited number of minerals and waste planning applications determined on an annual basis and in order to reflect the provisions of paragraph 33 of the National Planning Policy Framework the trigger for review will over a 5-year period.</u>	To address MPA comment 32.	Mineral Products Association (Comment Number 32)

Table 31: Table 10.1: Minerals and Waste Policies and Allocations Document Monitoring Framework.

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Row Policy MW12	Amend: 'Policy MW12 (Exploration, Appraisal and Production)'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change
Row Policy MW21	Amend: 'Policy MW21 (Site specific <u>A</u> llocations at Thrislington West Quarry)'	Typographical correction.	DCC Change

Table 32: Appendices - Appendix A: Table of Superseded Policies

Heading, Policy, Paragraph or Table	Change Made	Explanation	Relevant Representation or DCC Change
Chapter Title	Amend chapter title wording: 'Appendices - Appendix A: Table of Superseded/Replaced Policies'	To update text post consultation.	DCC Change
Table A1	Amend: 'County Durham Minerals Local Plan and County Durham Waste Local Plan Policies which <u>have been</u> will be superseded/replaced by policies within the Minerals and Waste Policies and Allocations Document.' Table to be amended as shown below.	To update text post consultation.	DCC Change

Table A1 – County Durham Minerals Local Plan and County Durham Waste Local Plan Policies which have been ~~will be~~ superseded/replaced by policies within the Minerals and Waste Policies and Allocations Document

Saved Policy Number and Name	<u>Superseded or</u> Replaced by
M13 Borrow Pits	MW9 (Borrow pits)
M16 Mineral Exploration	MW2 (Mineral Exploration)
M17 Exploration Outside Site Boundaries	Expired
M37 Stand Off Distances	MW1 (General criteria for considering minerals and waste development)
M38 Water Resources	MW 19 <u>24</u> (Water Resources)
M40 Scope for Rail Use in Planning Applications	MW7(Traffic and Transport)
M41 Mineral Disposal Points	MW8 (Mineral Rail Handling Facilities)
M42 Road Traffic	MW7 (Traffic and Transport)
M43 Minimising Traffic Impacts	MW7 (Traffic and Transport)
M45 Cumulative Impacts	MW1 (General criteria for considering minerals and waste development)
M46 Restoration Conditions	MW 20 <u>22</u> (Mineral Site Restoration, Landfill and Landraise)
M47 After uses	MW 20 <u>22</u> (Mineral Site Restoration, Landfill and Landraise)
M50 On Site Processing	MW10 (Ancillary Minerals Related Infrastructure)
M52 Site Management	MW 20 <u>22</u> (Mineral Site Restoration, Landfill and Landraise)
W6 Design	County Durham Plan Policies 61 (Location of New Waste Management Facilities) and 29 (Sustainable Design)

W26 Water Resources	MW 19 <u>24</u> (Water Resources)
W27 Landfill/Landraise and groundwater vulnerability	MW 19 <u>24</u> (Water Resources)
W29 Modes of Transport	MW7 (Traffic and Transport)
W31 Environmental Impact of Road Traffic & W32 Planning Obligations for Controlling Environmental Impact of Road Traffic	MW7 (Traffic and Transport)
W34 Site Management	MW 20 <u>22</u> (Mineral Site Restoration, Landfill and Landraise)
W35 Cumulative Impact	MW1 (General criteria for considering minerals and waste development)
W46 Landfill and Landraise	MW 17 <u>49</u> (Inert Waste Disposal via landfill, MW 18 <u>20</u> - Non-Hazardous Landfill)
W47 Tipping on Agricultural Land	MW 16 <u>48</u> (Inert waste 'other recovery')
W50 Mining of Waste	Expired
W54 Reclamation Conditions	MW 20 <u>22</u> (Mineral Site Restoration, Landfill and Landraise)
W55 After-use	MW 20 <u>22</u> (Mineral Site Restoration, Landfill and Landraise)