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Subject: UPDATE TO PPS10: IMPLICATIONS FOR THE GM WASTE DPD

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to confirm how the update to PPS10: Planning for Waste Management will affect the Waste Policies contained within the Core Strategies of the ten Greater Manchester Local Planning Authorities and their relationship with the Greater Manchester Waste DPD.

Following the receipt of the letter (dated 31st March 2011) from the Chief Planning Officer at Communities and Local Government on the subject of the update of PPS10 (see attached for information), GMGU have received communications from the Programme Officer involved in the Core Strategy examinations of Trafford MBC, inviting comments on how this update may impact the soundness of these documents.

The update to PPS10 as set out in the letter from the CLG Chief Planning Officer sets out a change to paragraph 1 as follows:

Existing paragraph 1:

Through more sustainable waste management, moving the management of waste up the 'waste hierarchy' of reduction, reuse, recycling and composting, using waste as a source of energy, and only disposing as a last resort the Government aims to break the link between economic growth and the environmental impact of waste.

New paragraph 1:

By more sustainable waste management, moving the management of waste up the 'waste hierarchy' of prevention, preparing for reuse, recycling, other recovery, and disposing only as a last resort, the Government aims to break the link between economic growth and the environmental impact of waste.

Soundness of the GM Waste Plan in light of the update to PPS10

The Waste Plan does not include the exact wording as set out within the existing paragraph 1, as repetition of national policy is not encouraged.



Instead it refers more generally to the need to promote the Waste Hierarchy. Objective 2 of the Waste Plan seeks to promote movement of waste up the waste hierarchy, promoting minimisation at source (i.e. prevention), increasing re-use, recycling and recovery whilst recognising there may still be need for disposal. This wording is consistent with the updated text of paragraph 1 of PPS10, therefore the Waste Plan, as submitted to the Secretary of State on 28th February 2011, is considered to be in conformity with the updated PPS10 and no changes are necessary.

Changes to Core Strategy Waste Policies in light of the update to PPS10

Changes to your Core Strategy Waste Policy should be undertaken to ensure conformity with updated PPS10. Across Greater Manchester these changes may include the need to:

1. Amend the Waste Policy, reasoned justification or evidence base documents which include the Waste Hierarchy diagram where a different version to that set out in the Waste Framework Directive has been included.
2. Amend the wording of the Waste Policy where it currently includes the written stages of the Waste Hierarchy as set out in the existing paragraph 1 of PPS10, to instead refer to the new wording of paragraph 1 set out above.

Depending on the stage of Core Strategy preparation, where changes to the Waste Policies contained within Core Strategies are required as a result of the update to PPS10 it may be necessary to submit this technical adjustment as a minor change to the inspector immediately. Alternatively, please use this letter and the attached correspondence from the Chief Planning Officer as evidence for the need for the minor change prior to Publication.

I hope the above is of use to you, but should you have any queries then please do not hesitate to contact me by email or by telephone.

Yours Sincerely



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