

Norfolk County Council
Member for Necton and Launditch
Report: November 2022

Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan:

The pre-submission consultation on the updated Minerals and Waste Local Plan is still open for representations on site allocations and policies.

Full details of the allocated sites and policies are contained within the publication document. The publication document, background documents and a downloadable and printable representation form are available on Norfolk County Council's website at: www.norfolk.gov.uk/nmwdf on the "Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review" page.

Where possible the County Council would prefer representations to be made directly to <https://norfolk.oc2.uk/> however, responses by post and email will also be accepted. Any representations that you make will be published on Norfolk County Council's website.

All representations, using whatever method, must be made by 5pm on 19 December 2022. The period has been extended from the previous deadline of 11 November.

Avian Flu:

The outbreak of Avian Flu is now very serious with Norfolk at the epicentre of the crisis with 80 confirmed new cases since the beginning of October. Locally there are some outbreaks centred around Whissonsett, Beeston/Longham and Stanfield/Brisley. Around each site there is a 3km Protection Zone and a 10km Surveillance Zone. I have the text (already sent to PC clerks in the affected areas) of the restrictions applicable to the zones which I can send to any interested parties if required. The Avian Flu outbreak is not restricted to domestic birds, the native wild bird population is being badly affected. Dog walkers have been asked to keep their dogs from approaching dead birds and to keep their dogs on a lead when walking on the north Norfolk beaches to prevent the spread of the disease.

Dereham Library:

A reminder that Dereham library will close for one week from Monday 28th November reopening on Monday 5th December. This is to allow building work to expand the library space and to create offices on the first floor.

Parish Partnership:

Another reminder, applications to the Parish Partnership Scheme will be accepted until 9th December. There is over £600k of money set aside to fund 50% of small highway improvements requested by parishes. Parishes were sent details of the scheme, listing the kind of projects that can be considered, last June. Help with the submission process can be obtained by emailing ppschemes@norfolk.gov.uk or by telephone on 01603 228905. Any successful bids will be implemented in financial year 23/24.

General:

As more information of interest becomes available during the month I will pass this on either for inclusion in your net meeting or for immediate transmission to councillors as required.

Mark Kiddle-Morris.

31st October, 2022.