Notice is given in accordance with the above Regulations that Northamptonshire County Council has submitted the Northamptonshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan (Local Plan) to the Secretary of State for independent examination under Section 22 of the Town and County Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012, along with the supporting documents. The date of submission was 18 August 2016.

The role of the Minerals and Waste Local Plan is to set out the strategic vision and objectives for minerals and waste development, identifies what minerals and waste related development should go where, why it should go there, and how by doing so, it can make other land use and infrastructure systems function better. It considers the impact and design of new minerals and waste development, and focuses on how this development can best relate to the surrounding land use and link with the wider community. It is also intended to act as a driver for new investment and identifies how investment in minerals and waste development can be optimised for everyone’s benefit. It focuses, and where appropriate, integrates minerals and waste development activity and investment with other development and investment in the county.

The Local Plan provides the basis for determining planning applications for, or covering, minerals and waste related development in Northamptonshire. It sets out:

- The broad strategy for minerals and waste related development in the county and the amount of provision we will need to make for such development.
- The long-term vision for minerals and waste related development in Northamptonshire to 2031.
- The plans objective, required to realise the vision.
- Policies addressing the control and management of development such as development criteria and locally specific issues (such as co-location of waste management facilities with new development, sustainable use of resources, addressing potentially adverse effects, Minerals Safeguarding Areas, preventing land use conflict, design and layout, and restoration).
- Site specific allocations for minerals related development.
- Locations for waste-related development, including site specific allocations.

The Submission Plan, Sustainability Appraisal (SA) Report and Statement of Consultation and Engagement are available for public inspection at County Hall in Northampton, Monday to Friday between 9am to 5pm via appointment on 01604 366014 or via email planning@northamptonshire.gov.uk and the Local Plan will also be available to view at all Northamptonshire Libraries – please contact them directly for individual opening hours.

The submission Plan, SA Report and Statement of Consultation and Engagement, copies of representation made in accordance with Regulation 20 and other supporting documentation are also available to view on the County Council’s website at: www.northamptonshire.gov.uk

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