

**Halton Council, Liverpool City Council, Knowsley Council,
Sefton Council, St.Helens Council and Wirral Council
WASTE LOCAL PLAN ADOPTION STATEMENT**

**Regulation 26 of the Town and Country Planning
(Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN as follows:

1. The Joint Merseyside & Halton Waste Local Plan was adopted by all six Councils with effect from 18th July 2013.
2. The Waste Local Plan is adopted with modifications made pursuant to section 23(3) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act (as amended by the Localism Act 2011). A summary of the main modifications (as detailed in the Inspector's Report) can be found in Appendix 1 to this Statement. The main modifications, and additional minor modifications are set out in full in the Schedule of modifications (document reference EXAM-071-Schedule of ALL Proposed Modifications 18 July 2012.pdf, available via <http://www.wasteplanningmerseyside.gov.uk/>) or by contacting Merseyside Environmental Advisory Service on 0151 934 4951.
3. Any person aggrieved by the Waste Local Plan may make an application to the High Court under section 113 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 on the grounds that:
 - a. the document is not within the appropriate power;
 - b. a procedural requirement has not been complied with.
4. The application to the High Court must be made not later than the end of the period of six weeks starting with the date the Waste Local Plan was adopted.

The Waste Local Plan together with the Waste Local Plan Sustainability Appraisal Report and supporting documentation is available to view in the Waste Local Plan Document Archive (see <http://www.wasteplanningmerseyside.gov.uk/>).

For further information about the Joint Merseyside & Halton Waste Local Plan, please contact the Waste Team at Merseyside Environmental Advisory Service by email: waste.dpd@sefton.gov.uk or by telephone: 0151 934 4951.

Appendix 1

Summary of Modifications made to the Plan following its Examination in Public (from Inspector's Report following Examination)

- Include a policy and supporting text on the presumption in favour of sustainable development;
- Amend the wording of the overarching strategic approach to more appropriately reflect the balance of imports and exports envisaged;
- Relax the general waste management restriction on allocated sub-regional sites to allow port related uses on sites L1 and W1;
- Remove site S1 as a sub-regional allocation and replace it with site S1a;
- Remove site H3 as a district level allocation;
- Clarify how the criteria for change of use applications from waste management should be met, and restrict them to built facilities;
- Allow extensions of time for existing, operational landfills, subject to criteria;
- Assess proposals for built facilities on unallocated sites rather than justifying them;
- Amend the Energy from Waste (EfW) Policy to assess applications against criteria, and to generally require Combined Heat and Power (CHP); and
- Assess proposals for landfill on unallocated sites against criteria rather than justifying them, and amend the wording to provide a more positive approach.

Additional Modifications

In addition to the modifications specified above various additional modifications were made to the text to correct typographical errors and factual mistakes and to update information in line with the latest available data. For a full list of these additional modifications see the Waste Local Plan Document Archive (see <http://www.wasteplanningmerseyside.gov.uk/>).