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7 September 2018 Date

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Dear Mr

Information Request

Thank you for your request for information, which was received on the 17 August 2018.

As this is a request for environmental information, it has been handled in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR). EIR is broadly similar to the Freedom of Information Act, but specifically applies to environmental information.

In response to your request, in which you sought the following information:

The information I require is around the preparation and costs involved in the Central and Eastern Berkshire Draft Waste and Mineral Plan. Please send me:

1, Information regarding the type and number of communities you consulted with in preparing the draft waste and mineral plan in relation to the site allocation of the Knowl Hill Star Works in the summer of 2017. See below:

'Preparing the Plan has involved engagement and collaboration with communities, local organisations and businesses. Public consultation will be held for each stage of the plan-making process. This Draft Plan consultation document follows an 'Issues and Options' Consultation carried out in the summer of 2017. The feedback and responses from that consultation have informed the direction of the draft Plan. It has also been prepared in cooperation with neighbouring authorities and other minerals and waste planning authorities that may be affected by the strategies and policies in the Plan. This has ensured that effective cooperation has been undertaken where there are cross-boundary impacts.' Draft Waste and Mineral Plan for Central and Eastern Berkshire.

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2, Information on how much has been spent and allocated in preparing the draft Central and Eastern Berkshire Waste and Mineral plan by the four local boroughs for which it is proposed in the accounting periods 2016/17, 2017/18 and allocated in 2018/19. Or, the overall public cost of the preparation of the draft Waste and Mineral Plan for Central and Eastern Berkshire to date. This may be broken down into its different preparation costs if available.

Below is the response to the points that you have raised.

- 1) The data on who has been consulted during the Issues and Options 2017 consultation of the Berkshire Minerals and Waste Plan is held by each of the Central and Eastern Berkshire authorities Bracknell Forest Council, Reading Borough Council, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead and Wokingham Borough Council. This request has been transferred to them, in accordance with the EIR regulations 2004 reg 10 (1a), on the 21st August 2018.
- 2) The overall projected cost for Hampshire County Council working on the Joint Central and Eastern Berkshire Minerals and Waste Plan is £976,000 which is an allocated spend of £61k per authority over the 4 year project. To date there have been invoices totalling £488,000:

Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead	01/03/2017	2016	£61,000.00
Reading Borough Council	22/03/2017	2016	£61,000.00
Wokingham Borough Council	18/04/2017	2017	£61,000.00
Bracknell Forest Council	18/04/2017	2017	£61,000.00
Reading Borough Council	12/12/2017	2017	£61,000.00
Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead	12/12/2017	2017	£61,000.00
Bracknell Forest Council	11/04/2018	2018	£61,000.00
Wokingham Borough Council	27/06/2018	2018	£61,000.00

We hope you find the information useful.

Yours sincerely

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Marie MacBrayne

Business Support Officer

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days of receiving our response, and should be addressed to: Head of Information Compliance, Corporate Services, The Castle, Winchester, SO23 8UJ or emailed to foi@hants.gov.uk.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.