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Dear Sir / Madam

NORTH WALES REGIONAL WASTE PLAN 1ST REVIEW, DRAFT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Thank you for giving CCW the opportunity to comment on the North Wales Regional Waste Plan 1st Review.

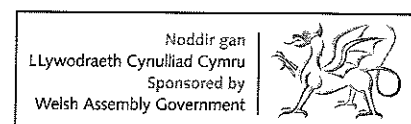
In discharging its functions under Section 130 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, the Countryside Council for Wales (CCW) champions the environment and landscapes of Wales and its coastal waters as sources of natural and cultural riches, as a foundation for economic and social activity, and as a place for leisure and learning opportunities. We aim to make the environment a valued part of everyone's life in Wales.

Our comments are made in the context of our roles as consultation body and adviser to the Welsh Assembly Government on matters pertaining to the natural heritage of Wales and its inshore waters.

Detailed comments can be found in the attached appendix. If you have any queries regarding our response, please contact Raymond Roberts at the above address.

Yours sincerely

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Appendix

CCW detailed comments on the North Wales Regional Waste Plan 1st Review.

Paragraph 1.4.1

There is no reference to key transport routes such as the A55.

Paragraph 1.4.2

Although reference is made to Appendix A in the Technical Companion, further information could be given in this introductory section with regards to the importance of North Wales in terms of nature conservation. For example, in addition to Snowdonia National Park, there are three AONBs within the region (Anglesey, Llyn and the Clwydian Range), and probably the highest concentration of European sites (SAC, SPA) and nationally important sites (SSSI) in Wales. As well as the designated areas, the environmental quality of the coastline, mountains and many parts of the coastline are of particularly high quality. It is these qualities that have made the region a popular tourist attraction, with tourism a key employer of increasing significance.

Paragraph 1.5.1

Reference should be made to Tan15 Development and Flood Risk

Paragraph 1.9.2

Refer to Part C (Spatial Strategy)

Section 2 Policy Context

Unless covered in the SEA, reference could be made to other policies, directives etc which are relevant to nature conservation such as the Habitats Directive, CROW Act etc.

Figure 3

Is Objective 9 (Minimising local transport impacts) an Environmental and Health objective as it should lead to a reduction in air pollution, CO₂.

Paragraph 4.6.1

With regards to **Producer Responsibility**, there is no information on how producers would become more responsible.

Paragraph 5.3.2

Will MSW include the recycled material?

Table 4

Regarding Existing Waste Management Infrastructure, there is a tonnage for windrow composting in Flintshire but not the number of sites.

Paragraph 11.2.5

Should read Figure 17

Paragraph 11.5.1

Should read Figure 19

Paragraph 13.2.1

This should reflect the discussions between the groups and LAs regarding the sharing of disposal facilities.

Paragraph 13.4.3

This is a repeat of Paragraph 11.4.2.