Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole Waste Plan Examination

Statement of Common Ground between the Waste Planning Authority and Historic England

Policy 19 – Historic Environment

The Waste Planning Authority and Historic England have liaised in amending Policy 19 to more closely reflect the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).

Historic England agrees with the proposed main modification to Policy 19, as set out below and included as MM12.17 in WPDCC-55 (Schedule of Proposed Main Modifications to the Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole Waste Plan).

Historic England confirms that Policy 19, as modified through MM12.17, is consistent with the NPPF.

Proposals for waste management facilities will be permitted where it is demonstrated that heritage assets and their settings will be conserved and/or enhanced in a manner appropriate to their significance. Adverse impacts on heritage assets should be avoided or mitigated to an acceptable level. Where a proposal would result in significant harm to a heritage asset, it will only be permitted if it is demonstrated that there are exceptional circumstances.

Great weight will be given to the conservation (protection and enhancement) of Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole's designated heritage assets and their settings including listed buildings, conservation areas, historic parks and gardens, scheduled monuments and non-designated heritage assets of archaeological interest that are demonstrably of equivalent significance to scheduled monuments.

Proposals resulting in harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset will only be permitted if this is justified, having regard to the public benefits of the proposal and whether it has been demonstrated that all reasonable efforts have been made to mitigate the extent of the harm to the significance of the asset.

Where a proposal directly or indirectly affects non-designated heritage assets, the Waste Planning Authority will have regard to the scale of any harm or loss and the significance of the heritage asset.

Where harm can be fully justified, archaeological excavation and/or historic building recording as appropriate will be required, followed by analysis and publication of the results.

Proposals that may affect archaeological remains should be accompanied by an appropriate archaeological assessment and, where necessary, a field evaluation.

Where the presence of historic assets of national significance is proven, either through designation or a process of assessment, their preservation in situ will be required. Any other historic assets should be preserved in situ if possible, or otherwise by record.

Signed:

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