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Nature of Response: Response to the East London Joint Waste Plan (ELJWP) Regulation 19 – Submission Plan from Essex County Council acting in its capacity as the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the East London Joint Waste Plan Regulation 19 – Submission Plan.

Essex County Council acting in its capacity as the Minerals and Waste Planning Authority has reviewed its comments made in relation to the previous Regulation 18 iteration of the ELJWP and notes the amendments made in this current iteration.

Whilst it is noted that the Vision still makes reference to 'releasing underutilised or poorly located sites', which in principle is a sound policy approach, this cannot be to the detriment of sustainable waste management as a whole, particularly where this would increase waste miles or reduce net self-sufficiency. It is however considered that the provisions of Policy JWP2 Section B adequately place this planning principle in its appropriate context.

Further, regarding those existing waste sites which have not been safeguarded on the basis that their re-development would achieve wider planning objectives, the clarification set out in Paragraph 6.34 that these sites will not significantly impact the achievement of the London Plan strategic objective of net self-sufficiency and the ELJWP objectives for the management of waste is welcomed

The Essex MWPA have no further comments in relation to the ELJWP Regulation 19 – Submission Plan.

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