

GUIDANCE NOTE - INVITATION FOR SAND AND GRAVEL SITES

In order to meet national planning policy requirements concerning mineral provision as set out in Planning Policy Wales, the Revised Carmarthenshire Local Development Plan (LDP) will need to identify sites and areas for future mineral extraction in the County.

The Council is conducting a 'call for sites' targeting those individuals/companies with interests in potential land allocation for sites and areas for potential sand and gravel extraction.

We are therefore requesting that if you, or your clients, have sites for sand and gravel extraction that you would like to submit for consideration as potential LDP allocations then please complete the questionnaire attaching an appropriate site plan. In addition to the questionnaire and plan(s), it will also be helpful to your case to submit as much of the following information as possible:

- Evidence to show that the landowner will consent to the site being developed for mineral extraction;
- A summary of the findings taken from boreholes and trial pits, and any other geological evidence;
- An indicative plan showing the method of winning and working the mineral, such as the extent and direction of working, locations for processing and stocking the mineral, site access and timescales for the operation and phasing;
- Where particular constraints have been identified such as ecological, archaeological, geological and landscape, proposed measures outlining mitigation should be submitted;
- Evidence or other information that would help in assessing that amenity impacts could be minimised and mitigated against;
- Any other information that you would like to submit which could help your submission.

The assessment of sites submitted will be undertaken as part of preparation of the Deposit LDP during 2019 in order to decide the most appropriate and sustainable land to allocation. It is anticipated that the deposit LDP will be published for public consultation in late 2019/early2020. If your site is not included within the Deposit LDP, you will have an opportunity to submit a representation to object. All representations will be considered by an Independent Planning Inspector during the Examination of the LDP in 2020/21.