

A landscape photograph of a green field under a blue sky with white clouds. The field is in the foreground, and a line of trees is visible in the distance. The sky is filled with fluffy white clouds, and the overall scene is bright and clear.

Essex Minerals Local Plan Review

Record of recent Duty to Cooperate Engagement January 2024

Overview

The Minerals and Waste Planning Authority (MWPA) provided two Minerals Local Plan (MLP) Review Briefing Sessions on the 8th and 9th November 2023 for all local authorities in Essex, adjoining MWPA's to Great Essex, and other MWPA's in the East of England. Following the briefing session, bespoke meetings were held with the following authorities:

- Braintree District Council - 11th January 2024
- Chelmsford City Council - 23rd November 2023
- Colchester City Council - 22nd November 2023
- Epping Forest District Council - 18th January 2024
- Maldon District Council - 16th November 2023
- Tendring District Council - 18th December 2023
- Uttlesford District Council - 12th December 2023

The MWPA gave officers an overview of the MLP including the candidate sites, any comments previously made at the Regulation 18 stage in 2021, and the next steps to consultation including the timing of briefing sessions and consultation dates.

No issues of strategic significance were raised at this stage and all authorities confirmed that they will respond through the Regulation 18 consultation in early 2024. The MWPA and each authority committed to continued engagement through the plan making process.