

with Verwood Stephen's Castle

Cllrs Lucy Clark & Simon Gibson would like to advise you of a consultation on the Hampshire Minerals and Waste strategy, which may affect you.

The document is called 'Have Your Say on Planning for Hampshire's Minerals and Waste and public consultation closes on 24 March 2011.

This informal consultation asks for your views on Hampshire's suggested approach to minerals and waste development, suggested sites, and any other alternative options. There will be other opportunities for further public comment on the plan, through more formal stages of consultation. This document explains how Hampshire intend to protect the environment, maintain communities and support Hampshire's economy while meeting the needs for minerals and waste facilities. It is made clear that the current suggested approach is NOT the plan and no final decisions have been made about the sites at this time.

The document can be viewed on their website: http://consult.hants.gov.uk/portal/

The plan has the potential to impact on the areas near to Hampshire, including Verwood, Alderholt and St Leonards and St Ives.

The impacts are through the addition of three sites close to the edge of our border with Hampshire.

Details of these including maps can be found in Appendix D of document: Bleak Hill III Extension for sand and gravel extraction - Table D2

Blue Haze for landfill - Table D3 (near Somerley Tip)

Purple Haze for sand and gravel extraction and subsequent landfill - Table D13

Of particular concern is the site at Purple Haze, and the impact this may have on the adjacent Moors Valley Country Park and traffic on the B3081.

Yours

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