Draft Objectives of the Leicestershire Waste Partnership Strategy (revised 2010)

The following list of draft objectives are intended to be included in the revised 2010 document

Objective 1: Manage materials in accordance with the Waste Management Hierarchy – in order of preference, prevention, re-use, recycle/compost, recovery, disposal except where costs are prohibitive, or where the environmental consequences can be demonstrated to be negative;

Objective 2: Manage resources and waste in a way that meets the needs of Leicestershire's residents now without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs

Objective 3: Deliver quality, accessible services which offer value for money overall, in the long term as well as the short term

Objective 4: Ensure that services are flexible enough to allow new technological developments and new legal requirements to be accommodated, and to ensure that the desire to move waste up the Waste Management Hierarchy is not compromised

Objective 5: Work together to research and develop coordinated services and infrastructure for waste collection, treatment, transfer and disposal;

Objective 6: Aim to reduce and manage residual waste within the County where this is consistent with the proximity principle and to manage all other waste at the nearest appropriate facility by the most appropriate method or technology

Objective 7: Consider approaches to managing waste from commercial and industrial sources where this contributes to the overall environmental, social and economic wellbeing of Leicestershire residents

Objective 8: Lobby and work with others, in particular on the issue of waste prevention, including commercial, statutory, non-governmental, academic and community based or not-for-profit organisations in pursuit of the Partnership's vision of sustainable waste and resource management

Objective 9: Work closely with the community & the community sector to educate residents in environmental matters (including climate change, energy and resource management) and encourage engagement with waste prevention, reuse and recycling initiatives;

Objective 10: Promote the economic and employment opportunities of sustainable waste management where this is consistent with the principles of sustainable development and best value. Consider local / regional supply chain and markets for recyclate and other secondary raw materials

Objective 11: As local authorities, set an example by preventing, re-using, recycling and composting our own waste and use our buying power to positively encourage sustainable resource use

Objective 12: Continually seek to reduce carbon emissions, including the potential for renewable or low carbon energy generation to improve the impact of the service on climate change