

BRADFORD DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN – WASTE CALL FOR SITES – GUIDANCE

NOTE (OCTOBER 2025)

INTRODUCTION

A key element of the emerging Local Plan for Bradford District will be to set out a planning policy framework for the sustainable management of waste over the coming years. The plan must look at:

- How the amount of waste produced can be reduced;
- Where waste is unavoidable, how more of it can be turned into a valuable resource; and
- How its effective and efficient processing can be achieved without polluting the environment or contributing to climate change.

This framework must in line with the Government's approach set out in its [Planning Policy for Waste](#), published in October 2014, and accompanying on-line [Planning Practice Guidance](#). A central aspect of this approach is ensuring that waste is driven up the "Waste Hierarchy".

CURRENT PLANNING POLICY

In addition to national planning policy, the Council's current planning policy framework for waste is set out in the [Core Strategy DPD](#) and [Waste Management DPD](#), both of which were adopted in 2017. The former provides high level policy guidance, whilst the latter contains more detailed policies for waste management development and includes several site allocations. These allocations were:

- Princeroyd Way, Ingleby Road, Listerhills, Bradford (Site WM1)
- Ripley Road, Bowling, Bradford (Site WM2)
- Aire Valley Road, Keighley (Site WM3)
- Bowling Back Lane Household Waste Collection & Recycling Site, Bradford (Site WM4)
- Merrydale Road, Euroway, Bradford (Site WM5)
- Steel Stock and Scrapholders Site, Birkshall Lane, Bradford (Site WM6)

These sites were identified through a detailed assessment process undertaken as part preparing the Waste Management DPD.

EVIDENCE BASE

As part of developing the waste elements of the Local Plan, the Council commissioned a Local Waste Needs Assessment. This study examines existing levels of waste produced across the main waste streams (Local Authority Collected Waste; Commercial & Industrial Waste, Construction, Demolition & Excavation Waste; Hazardous Waste; Agricultural) as well as setting out forecasts for future waste arisings across the plan period. It also addressed existing and future waste management capacity requirements within the District. The evidence base has identified that over the Local Plan period that there will be a deficit in the amount of capacity needed to manage future waste arisings, particularly Local Authority Collected Waste (LACW), Commercial & Industrial (C&I) waste, and Construction, Demolition & Excavation (CDE) waste.

Due the nature of the industry, waste often moves across local authority boundaries to be managed, treated or disposed of. Therefore, the Council is working to identify existing cross boundary movements of waste to/from the District and engaging with local authorities where

waste arises and is received. This allows the Council to understand if such movements are likely to continue and whether capacity will continue to be available.

CALL FOR SITES

At this time, the Council is very keen to hear about what land could be available in the future to accommodate new waste management infrastructure. This exercise is known as 'Call for Sites'.

'Call for Sites' is open to all, but especially public sector and private landowners, prospective developers and the business community to let the Council know about any sites/areas of land available to accommodate waste management infrastructure over the next 15 years.

This is a technical plan-making exercise. The information collected through 'Call for Sites' is vitally important in helping to prepare a deliverable development strategy and land-use planning policy. When putting forward a site, it is essential that as much information as possible is provided to help us make a thorough assessment.

The Council will scrutinise and carefully consider any sites / areas of land, which are submitted through this 'Call for Sites'. The key purpose of the exercise is to establish whether there are any potentially available, acceptable and appropriate parts of the county that could evolve into allocations for emerging Local Plan.

Any land submitted under this technical Call for Sites process will be subject to a detailed assessment. The submission of a site for consideration does not mean any kind of special planning status or presumption in favour of development, neither does it mean that the Local Plan will contain those sites as specific site allocations.

Submissions should be made digitally using our [on-line Call for Sites form](#). However, other means of submission are accepted. A submission form is available on the Call for Sites webpage which can be e-mailed to the Planning Policy team: planning.policy@bradford.gov.uk or posted to:

Call for Sites
Planning Policy Team
Planning, Transportation & Highways
4th Floor, Britannia House
Broadway
Bradford
BD1 1HX

To ensure your submitted site(s)/areas of land are considered by the Council, please make sure fully completed 'Call for Sites' submission forms are received by the Council by **5pm on Monday 24 November 2025**.

THINGS TO CONSIDER

In deciding whether to put forward a site/area of land for consideration, there are several things that you may wish to take into consideration:

- Site location, including proximity to key settlements.
- Proximity to sources of waste.
- Proximity to existing waste management facilities, including potential opportunities for expansion of and/or co-location with existing operational sites.

- Proximity to the transport network.
- Existing and future land uses within the area surrounding the site, including compatibility between uses, proximity to sensitive receptors and potential impacts on existing/future occupiers.
- Need to avoid detrimental impacts on the District's natural environment and countryside, built heritage, open land and adverse impacts on the South Pennine Moors SPA/SAC and SSSI.

[Appendix B of the National Planning Policy for Waste](#) sets out a series of locational criteria that should be used in testing the suitability of sites and areas when preparing Local Plans and in determining planning applications. This should also be read when preparing any Call for Sites submission.

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION

It is essential that any submission is accompanied by a map showing the site boundary. This can be provided electronically using the [online Call for Sites form](#). If using the downloadable form, an Ordnance Survey-based location plan at 1:1250 or 1:2500 scale is required with **EACH** submission form. A red line boundary for the promoted site in question must be included on the OS location plan. A blue line boundary must also be included on the OS location plan for all nearby land that is within the same ownership. All accompanying site location plans must be clearly labelled with the promoter's chosen site name.

If you or your organisation have any further questions about 'Call for Sites' please contact planning.policy@bradford.gov.uk. A member of the team will look to get back to you as quickly as they can.

All submitted data will be treated in accordance with the Council's [Local Plan Privacy Notice](#). If you have any specific questions regarding the Council's use of submitted data please contact the council's Information Governance Team: dpo@bradford.gov.uk.