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Dear Sir

**LEICESTERSHIRE AND LEICESTER WASTE DEVELOPMENT  
FRAMEWORK: WASTE SPATIAL STRATEGY FURTHER CONSULTATION**

Thank you for providing us with an opportunity to comment on the Waste Spatial Strategy further consultation document.

As you know we commented on the original preferred options consultation in October 2006 and we reiterate our general comments made at this time:

*"We consider that the preferred options consultation documents are extremely well prepared and that, overall, the content fulfils the requirements of PPS10. We would also comment that the minerals and waste development framework site on the Leicestershire Web site has been straightforward to use and easy to navigate.*

*We are pleased to see that the County Council has taken an inclusive approach to preparing the documents and is consulting upon Core Strategy, Development Control Policies and Site Allocations together. It is our view that this the correct approach in ensuring a coherent plan."*

Having regard to these comments we are disappointed that it has been necessary as a result of the consultation response from GOEM to carry out further work on the Core Strategy and to stall progress on the site allocations document. In particular it is of concern that the timetable for putting in place an adopted strategy has now been delayed with adoption not expected until February 2011. This is a clear example of the unnecessary delays in the new plan making system that is of great concern to the industry and which ESA have raised at a national level.



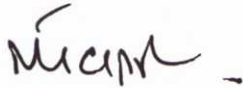
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We have no specific comments on the further consultation document. As with the original consultation we consider the contents are eminently logical and sound.

Should you have any queries then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully  
For **Biffa Waste Services Ltd**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Tappenden', with a small horizontal line at the end.

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