

AYMESTREY PARISH COUNCIL - HEARING STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF HEREFORDSHIRE
COUNCIL DRAFT MINERALS AND WASTE LOCAL PLAN POLICY SP1

This representation addresses question 28
Resolution is by Additional Modification

To be presented by vice-chair Helen Hamilton

The proposals for a “**circular economy**” are weak and, because they are not set out as policies, ineffective. The plan fails to require that all new development should use alternative, secondary and recycled material as the preferred option. The requirement for a resource audit for each development should form part of the policy itself - at present it is only contained in the supporting text, which means it has no force.

This issue is also set out in the submission dated 12 May 2022 of Aymestrey Parish Council to Herefordshire Council relating to the draft MWLP, which includes an analysis of why it is necessary for the aspiration and intent to be translated into requirements in the policy statements. Given that Herefordshire Council has stated the aspiration and intent, inclusion of the requirements in the policies presents no difficulty.