

Appendix 4 - Further Minor Modifications

Minor Modification reference	Section of the draft Plan	Minor Modification as subject to consultation in January 2017	Further Minor Modification recommended
MIN30	Paragraph 4.24	Bradwell Nuclear Power Station is a licensed Nuclear Site and is the principal source of radioactive arisings within the Plan area whilst the Power station is decommissioned. At present there is sufficient <u>national LLW disposal capacity and sufficient local ILW interim storage</u> capacity for this decommissioning process	<p><i>As additional text under para 4.24:</i></p> <p><u>The Government is pursuing its strategy for a long term national Geological Disposal Facility (GDF) for higher activity radioactive waste which is scheduled to be operational by 2040. Any proposed GDF facility would be approved as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under the Planning Act 2008.</u></p> <p><u>The national strategy for the management of radioactive waste is prepared and issued by the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority. The Energy Act 2004 requires that the NDA Strategy is reviewed and republished at least every five years. UK Government and the Scottish Ministers approved the current Strategy, "NDA Strategy III" in March 2016 and it came into effect in April 2016. The Local Plan seeks to be consistent with prevailing NDA Strategy and recognises its status as a national policy in the arena of radioactive waste management.</u></p>
MIN39	Paragraph 8.23	8.23 <u>The Bradwell-on-Sea site is one of the first UK nuclear reactor sites to be decommissioned. Within the period covered by this policy document, the site will enter into an extended period of care and maintenance prior to which the site will be secured as appropriate, and packaged ILW</u>	The Bradwell-on-Sea site is one of the first UK nuclear Magnox reactor sites to be decommissioned. Within the period covered by this policy document, the site will enter into a period of quiescence, termed care and maintenance. Prior to this, ILW will be packaged and placed within the dedicated on-site storage facility. The packaged ILW will remain in the

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		<p><u>placed in storage within the dedicated on-site interim ILW Storage facility. The packaged ILW will remain in the store until a national Geological Disposal Facility (GDF) is available to receive the packages. This process is in accordance with DECC's UK's waste management strategy for LLW & ILW (dated 2010). Following the extended period of care and maintenance, the site will be decommissioned and remediation activities undertaken which when completed will allow the site to reach end state and enable the next planned use.</u></p>	<p>store until a national Geological Disposal Facility (GDF) is available. This process is in accordance with DECCs UKs waste management strategy for LLW & ILW (dated 2010), <u>the UK Strategy for the Management of Solid Low Level Waste from the Nuclear Industry, published in February 2016, as well as the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority Strategy April 2016 ("NDA Strategy III")</u>. <u>These strategies are subject to continual review.</u> Following the extended period of care and maintenance, the site will be decommissioned and remediation activities undertaken (<u>which may include in-situ disposal</u>) which when completed will allow the site to reach end state and enable the next planned use.</p>