

Regional Spatial Strategy Phase Two Revision

Following the advice received from the Strategic Authorities and discussions at the RSS Task Group, the RSS Strategic Management Steering Group met on the 8th June. It was agreed to recommend to Members of the Regional Planning Partnership on the 28th July that there should be an adjustment to the Phase Two Revision Timetable. The Members **agreed** to the adjustment.

An adjustment will enable WMRA to take into account:-

- the ODPM household projections published in April and fully understand the implications for the Region and its component parts.
- Further discussions with the Strategic Authorities re their Section 4(4) advice.
- It will also allow greater alignment with the RES Review timetable.
- There are a number of pieces of work coming forward which will also be able to be incorporated.

The new timetable pans out as follows:

- Options signed off by the RSS Steering Group for the Sustainability Appraisal (SA) by the end of September 2006.
- Member approvals late October 2006
- Design and print mid November - Christmas
- Options launch first week January 2007 followed by an eight week consultation period.
- Preferred Option ready for the SA by end of April 2007
- Member and Officer approvals September 2007
- Submission December 2007

An RSS Update will be circulated to all on the Consultation database by late August. It is also likely that an addendum will be published to the Project Plan.