

statutory purposes of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty are conservation and enhancement of their natural beauty.

- 1.37 NRW consider that where an allocation has the potential to significantly affect the AONB and its associated boundary area, the site would need to be rigorously assessed in terms of adverse impact on the amenity and special qualities of the AONB.
- 1.38 Also some of the allocation are located within or adjacent to landscapes that are Registerd by CADW as Landscapes of Historic Interest including the Llyn ac Ynys Enlli Registered Landscape of Historic Interest. While this is not a statutory designation, Chapter 6 of PPW identifies that it should be a material consideration in the planning process and must be given due regard.
- 1.39 With regards to POLICY AMG2 we would recommend that this policy name is changed to protecting and enhancing features and qualities that are ;distinctive or special' to the landscape character rather than 'unique'.
- 1.40 With regards to criteria 3 set out under Policy AMG2 NRW recommends that the reference to 'layout of settlements' is amended to 'layout of settlements and boundary types'.

## **Waste Management**

- 1.41 NRW welcome that Policy GWA1 Provisional of waste management and recycling infrastucture allows for waste management facilities on some employment allocations. However GWA2, does not set out how the 7 year and 5 year trigger points in relation to the supply of landfill will be monitored and how the LPA will work with other Authorities to meet this need, if required. It is acknowledged that landfill has a diminishing role but the Plan should acknowledge the need for regional collaboration to meet the need for landfill across North Wales and how it will work with other authorities to meet this need. This should be set out in the policy to accord with TAN21.
- 1.42 With regards to Policy MWYN8 Exploration Works, it would be useful to know if unconventional fracturing is within scope of this policy. If yes then some flexibility built in to this policy would be welcome such as the policy will be reviewed in light of any new evidence on the potential impacts of these types of development on the environment.