Minerals and Waste Local Plan Timetable					
Phase	**2026 Regulation reference**	**Milestones**	**Indicative date**	**Actual date**	**Notes**
SCC Getting Ready	Reg 5	Publication of MWLP Timetable	6 August 2026	6 August 2026	Publication of the notices begins a 4-month notice period so that stakeholders are aware plan-making is beginning. Timetable must be kept up-to-date and set out anticipated and actual dates for key plan-making stages.
	Reg 44	Publication of Notice of Intention to Commence			
	Reg 45	Scoping Consultation Begins	17 December 2026		Inviting feedback from stakeholders about how to engage with them and what the MWLP should contain.
		Scoping Consultation Ends	29 January 2027		
	Reg 46	**Gateway 1: Self-Assessment of Readiness**	**19 March 2027**		Publication of document explaining how SCC has got ready for plan-making. Marks formal commencement of 30-month preparation period.
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30-month preparation period for East and West Surrey Councils	Reg 48	Consultation about MWLP content and evidence begins	3 September 2027		Inviting stakeholder feedback about proposed MWLP content and evidence, including draft vision.
		Consultation about MWLP content and evidence ends	15 October 2027		
	Reg 51	**Gateway 2: Planning Inspectorate**	**3 December 2027**		Seeking observations and advice from the Planning Inspectorate to support early resolution of potential soundness issues and progress towards requirements prescribed by the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2026 (2026 regulations).
	Reg 52	Consultation about the draft MWLP begins	1 April 2028		Inviting stakeholder feedback about the draft MWLP and its supporting documents.
		Consultation about the draft MWLP ends	2 June 2028		

	Regs 56 and 57	**Gateway 3: Testing *(Regulation 56 and 57)***	**1 September 2028**		Testing if the draft MWLP has met the 'prescribed requirements' set out by the 2026 regulations and can proceed to examination in public.
	Reg 59	MWLP submitted for examination	1 November 2028		MWLP submitted to the Secretary of State for examination.
	Reg 60	Examination in Public	April – July 2029		Examination of the MWLP against the tests of soundness set out in the National Planning Policy Framework.
	Reg 64	Adoption	21 September 2029		Adoption of MWLP by East and West Surrey Councils. Publication of MWLP and Adoption Statement.