

Item 2 – Minutes of the Meeting of the 21st October 2015

North West Region Waste Management Group Joint Committee
Wednesday 21st October 2015 @ 2.00 PM
Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council

Present: - Alderman King (in the Chair), Alderman Bresland, Councillors Duddy, Kelly, Hastings and McHugh.

In Attendance: - Clerk to the Committee (Mr E. Molloy), Director of Environment and Regeneration DCSDC (Ms K. Philips), Director of Environmental Services CCGBC (Mr A. McPeake), NWRWMG (Mr K. Swerdlick, Miss J. Curran)

Notice and Summons of Meeting

The Clerk read the Notice and Summons for the Meeting.

Apologies

An apology of absence was received from Councillor Fitzpatrick, Mr David Jackson and Mr Aidan Mullan.

Councillor Nicholl notified that he would join the meeting later.

Item 1 - Declaration of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of Members' interests.

Item 2 - Minutes of the Joint Committee 17th September 2015

The Chair reviewed the previous minutes with the Committee.

The minutes of the meeting 17th September 2015 were **PROPOSED** by Councillor McHugh and **SECONDED** by Councillor Kelly.

Item 3- Matter Arising

There being no other matters arising the Chair moved to the next item of business.

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Item 4 - Tenders for the Provision for the Treatment of NWRWMG collected Residual Waste from Kerbside Collections and from other Council services

The Clerk presented a report on the above matter for members' consideration. He stated that this tender had been advertised in the regional press and European Journal.

He took members through the report and informed members that the group had received three responses in all and that they were all compliant.

A discussion ensued and the Clerk asked members to consider the result of the evaluation and recommend to the individual member councils as follows:

Lot 1 - Coleraine Skip Hire/River Ridge Recycling for Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council

Lot 2 - Coleraine Skip Hire/River Ridge Recycling for Derry City and Strabane District Council

This recommendation was PROPOSED by Councillor Duddy and SECONDED by Councillor McHugh.

The Clerk informed the Committee that standstill letters will be issued to all tenderers and award of contract is subject to individual councils accepting the recommendation of the joint committee.

The issuing of standstill letters initiates the ten day period within which the decision to award can be challenged.

Item 5- Tenders for the Provision for the service for the haulage, treatment, recycling and disposal of NWRWVG collected Local Authority Street Sweeping and Gull Waste.

The Clerk informed members that the purpose of this tender was to meet the requirements of the group and its member councils. He told members that in the past this material stream was included with the Residual Tender. However, the market is now able to recycle this material stream and return a minimum 80% recycling rate.

He took members through the report and informed members that the group had received two responses.

One company was not compliant as it had failed to meet the required specification.

Councillor Nicholl joined the meeting at 2.25pm

A discussion ensued and the Clerk asked members to consider the result of the evaluation and recommend to the individual member councils as follows:

Lot 1 - Recon Waste Management for Causeway Coast & Glens Borough Council

Lot 2 - Recon Waste Management for Derry City and Strabane District Council

Mr C. Canning joined the meeting at 2.30pm

This recommendation was PROPOSED by Councillor Hastings and SECONDED by Councillor Duddy.

The Clerk again stated that award of contract is subject to individual councils accepting the recommendation of the joint committee.

Councillor Duddy made an apology and left the meeting at 2.40pm

Item 6 - Corporate Risk Register

The Clerk referred to the attached Corporate Risk Register for members' information.

He asked members to consider reducing the probability of Risk 9 to a 3 as there has been no further correspondence on this matter. The impact score will remain at 4 therefore remaining in Red.

He stated that there has been no additional risks identified, no risks closed and no other changes have been made to the Risk Register since July 2015.

Members noted and accepted the change of the report.

Item 7 - Amendments to the North West Regional Waste Management Plan

The Clerk drew members' attention to the Executive Summary of the Waste Management Plan. He reminded members that no substantive changes have been made to the plan.

He stated that the amendments were necessary to reflect the change post reform of local government as Mid Ulster (Magherafelt) is no longer a member of the group.

The Committee noted the changes. The plan will be submitted to the department for determination.

Item 8 - Any other Relevant Business

The Clerk informed members that at the last Waste Programme Board meeting on the 14th October concerns were raised regarding Northern Ireland achieving the 2020 recycling rate of 50%. He stated that the Waste Co-ordination Group had identified the need to identify areas of weakness and best practice so that these can be addressed. The Waste Programme Board asked the Department to prepare a scoping paper so that this work can be undertaken.

He further advised that the Board intends to hold a single agenda meeting / workshop on the circular economy and that he would keep members informed of developments in this matter.

The Clerk informed members an invitation had been received for the group and councils from Granville EcoPark Ltd, to visit their facilities.

A discussion ensued and The Committee

Recommended a letter is sent to Granville EcoPark thanking them for their interest but the group must decline at this time.

Councillor Kelly raised a concern regarding the recent administration of a company providing services to Council and how this is affecting recycling targets.

The Head of Service DCSDC advised the group that following recent developments Councils had made interim provision with the result that there had been no adverse impact on service

The Clerk informed members that the next meeting of the Joint Committee will take place on Wednesday 18th November 2015 in the offices of Derry City & Strabane District Council, Derry.

There being no further business the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.

The meeting terminated at 3.10pm