

Agenda Item 4



**GREATER MANCHESTER WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY
RECYCLING, WASTE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, 16TH OCTOBER 2012**

Present:	Councillor	Piddington (in the Chair)
	Councillors	Ahmed, A. Alexander and Lewis
	Officers	Director of Contract Services, Contracts Manager, Head of Governance, Performance & Transparency, Senior Governance Officer, Accountant and Group Officer (Corporate) (Oldham Council)
Apologies:	Councillors	Donaghy and Young
	Officers	Solicitor to the Authority

M11 Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair

There were no items of urgent business introduced by the Chair. The Committee was however informed that there would be two presentations to supplement reports on the agenda, for agenda item 10 (“Quarterly Contract Update to the end of June 2012 (Quarter 1) With Year to Date Summary Information”) and agenda item 11 (“Progress update on ‘zero waste’”).

M12 To receive declarations of interest in any contract or matters to be discussed at the meeting

There were no declarations of interest received at the meetings.

M13 To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 24th July 2012

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 24th July 2012 were approved as an accurate record.

M14 Sale of Compost at sites with Weighbridges

The Committee considered the report of the Communication Manager Viridor Laing (Greater Manchester) Limited which provided the Committee with an update on the development and plans that had been made for the sale of Greater Manchester produced compost to residents across the conurbation.

Members asked a number of questions regarding the report.

Q1 A Member queried whether there was likely to be significant income from the scheme.

A1 It was explained that income was not anticipated, as the bags were priced at a break-even level, which was a lower price than equivalent commercial sellers of compost.

Q2 A Member asked whether the bags would have Recycle For Greater Manchester (R4GM) branding.

A2 The Director of Contract Services explained that the packaging was currently being agreed, but it was expected that it would include R4GM branding.

Q3 A Member asked for clarification regarding which sites the bags would be available from.

A3 It was confirmed that the bags would be available from all sites with weighbridges.

Q4 A Member asked whether there was a limit on the amount of compost that could be sold through the scheme.

A4 The Director of Contract Services explained that there should be sufficient tonnage available for the scheme to meet any demand from the public.

RESOLVED: That the Committee approves the proposed actions, as set out in section 4 of the report.

M15 Work Programme for the Municipal Year 2012/13

Members considered the report of the Head of Governance, Procurement & Transparency which sought to obtain the Recycling, Waste Management & Operations (RWMO) Committee's comments and endorsement of the attached RWMO Committee Work Programme for the 2012/13 Municipal Year (Appendix A).

The Director of Contract Services informed the Committee that the Authority was conducting a review of Non-Key Services provided at Household Waste Recycling Centres, and a report may be provided to a future meeting on this area once the review was completed.

RESOLVED: That the Committee:

- a) note the Work Programme for 2012/13; and
- b) agrees that no further items are requested to be added to the Work Programme for consideration by this Committee at future meetings at this time.

M16 Project Director Delegated Decisions and Contract Changes since the last meeting of the Committee

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Governance, Procurement & Transparency which provided the Committee with information of Project Director Delegated Decisions and Contract Changes since the last meeting of the Committee.

RESOLVED: That the Committee notes the report.

M17 Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED: That, in accordance and with Section 100(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press are excluded from the meeting at this juncture for the following business on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respectively indicated paragraph(s) of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act.

It would not be, on balance, in the public interest to disclose this information to the public and press because disclosure for the reasons indicated within the report(s).

M18 Household Waste Recycling Centre Development Report

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Contract Services which updated Members on the implementation of measures to control trade waste deposit at the Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) and requested Members to consider the current provision of HWRC sites in light of the requirement for efficiency savings.

Members asked questions regarding the procedures for ensuring that recyclates were not removed from HWRCs and unofficial scrap metal traders operating near to sites.

RESOLVED: That the Committee:

- a) notes the progress made in control of trade waste deposits at HWRCs;
- b) endorses the conclusion at paragraph 5.11 not to recommend that the Authority implements a permit scheme for trade waste deposit at the HWRCs at this time; and
- c) notes the information provided in section 6 on future HWRC provision.

M19 Quarterly Contract Update to the end of June 2012 (Quarter 1) With Year to Date Summary Information

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Contract Services which provided Members with an update on the Recycling and Waste Management Contract (the Contract) progress with verified data up to the end of June 2012 (Quarter 1) and unverified data, where available, up to August 2012. The report covered finance, the performance framework, construction progress, and Contract waste processed. The report was supplemented by a presentation which expanded on a number of issues raised within the report.

RESOLVED: That the Committee notes the report.

M20 Progress update on 'zero waste'

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Contract Services which updated Members on the delivery of the 'zero waste' initiatives and presented modelling data to show the impact on the 'zero waste' initiatives of a number of potential ranges of facility handover dates and performance levels. The report was supplemented by a presentation which provided the Committee with updated information.

RESOLVED: That the Committee:

- a) notes the scenarios set out in section 5 of the report, along with their impact on 'zero waste' initiatives; and
- b) requests that an update report be presented to the next full Authority meeting on 23rd November 2012.

M21 Dates of future meetings

The Committee noted the dates of future meetings.

The meeting opened at 1.56 pm and closed at 2.50 pm

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