

WESTERN RIVERSIDE WASTE AUTHORITY

NOTE: These minutes are to be read in conjunction with the agenda papers relating to the meeting on 21st November 2018.

Minutes of the meeting of the Western Riverside Waste Authority held at the Town Hall (Room 140), Wandsworth High Street, SW18 on 21st November 2018 at 7pm.

PRESENT

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| Hammersmith & Fulham Council | - Councillor W. Harcourt |
| | - Councillor D. Morton |
| Kensington & Chelsea Council | - Councillor J. Husband (Chairman) |
| | - Councillor M. Palmer |
| Lambeth Council | - Councillor M. Clark |
| Wandsworth Council | - Councillor Mrs. S. Sutters (Deputy Chairman) |
| | - Councillor G. Senior |

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Holland.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Authority agreed to deal with:

- Item 5 - Various matters associated with operational matters, the Authority's Waste Management Services Agreement (WMSA) with Cory Environmental Limited and the potential redevelopment of the Cringle Dock Transfer Station (Paper No. WRWA 867)

before returning to the numerical order of the agenda.

MINUTES

On item 2 it was –

RESOLVED - That Version A (the closed version) of the minutes of the Authority held on 19th September 2018 be confirmed and signed as a correct record, and that version B be confirmed as the open summary of the minutes.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED -

That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, members of the public and the press be excluded from the meeting whilst item 5 (Paper No. WRWA 867) are being considered because exempt information, as described in paragraphs 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, is likely to be disclosed.

VARIOUS MATTERS ASSOCIATED WITH OPERATIONAL MATTERS, THE AUTHORITY'S WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (WMSA) WITH CORY ENVIRONMENTAL LIMITED AND THE POTENTIAL REDEVELOPMENT OF THE CRINGLE DOCK TRANSFER STATION (PAPER NO. WRWA 867)

Following discussion, it was then

RESOLVED to approve the recommendations in paragraph 48 of the report.

THE BUDGET FORECAST FOR 2018/19 AND THE PROSPECTS FOR APPORTIONMENT OF WASTE DISPOSAL COSTS (AWDC) RATES AND THE LEVY ARE PROVIDED THROUGH TO 2019/20 (PAPER NO. WRWA 865).

The Treasurer introduced the report and confirmed that the report had been circulated to the S151 officers and technical officers of the four Constituent Boroughs. The Treasurer advised that although there were healthy reserves at present it may be prudent to retain reserves in order to set funds aside to repay PWLB loans as they become due. The Treasurer added that if reserves were not required this would pass back to the Constituent Councils as a rebate at the appropriate time. Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED to receive the report for information.

REPORT OUTLINING PROGRESS WITH OPERATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS SINCE THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE AUTHORITY (PAPER NO. WRWA 866).

The Deputy General Manager introduced the report and highlighted the following:

- During September and October 2018 there had been four incidents when the Carbon Monoxide limits had been exceeded. On all four occasions the levels returned to normal within 30 minutes, and an investigation by Cory into the cause showed that it had been caused by the by the rapid ignition of some type of accelerant, such as gas bottles, cans of waste oil or similar. Cory carefully audits all of the waste streams entering the facility in order to minimise the inclusion of such volatile wastes. The Deputy Manager confirmed that records of such incidences were kept and that the level of occurrences had not increased and had remained at the same level as it had been five years ago.
- The overall results of the Household Waste and Recycling Centre survey were very positive with between 91% and 99% of the 795 residents satisfied to some extent with all elements of the centre.
- The “End of The Line for Waste” - Waste Reduction Campaign has been delayed until 23rd November 2018. The launch will focus on the three targeted waste streams, Plastics, Food Waste and Garden Waste.
- Autumn Open Day for Residents at the Smugglers Way facility took place on Saturday 17th November 2018. 85 people attended, 15 children and 70 adults. The event became oversubscribed shortly after it was advertised. A waiting list has been created and those residents on the list will be offered residents tours over the coming months.
- The Position of Clerk and Treasurer – during discussion of this item both the Treasurer and Clerk left the room. During debate on this matter it was noted that some Members of the Authority would wish to see a review of the governance arrangements, in that a different Constituent Council(s) may which to take on the administration and/or the finance roles. It was agreed that the General Manager would prepare an options paper for the Authority’s meeting in July 2019.
- The Authority noted that the office refurbishment works would cost between £120,000 and £150,000.

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED to:

- a) to approve that the employment of the Clerk and Treasurer be extended until 31st March 2021, subject to the current 3 months’ notice of termination on either side, with a further review being carried out in the Autumn of 2020; and
- a) to otherwise receive this report as information.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED -

That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, members of the public and the press be excluded from the meeting whilst item 6 (Paper No. WRWA 868) is being considered because exempt information, as described in paragraphs 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, is likely to be disclosed.

THE DETAILED 2018/19 AND 2019/20 GENERAL WASTE RATE AND UPDATE ON SAVINGS PROPOSALS FOR THE AUTHORITY (PAPER NO. WRWA 868).

Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED to receive the report for information.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS (PAPER NO. WRWA 869)

Following discussion, it was then

RESOLVED to hold future meetings of the Authority on the following dates:

1. Wednesday, 30th January 2019
2. Thursday, 11th July 2019
3. TBC from one of the following dates:
 - Monday, 16th September 2019 or
 - Tuesday, 17th September 2019
4. TBC from one of the following dates:
 - Monday, 25th November 2019 or
 - Tuesday, 26th November 2019 or
 - Wednesday, 27th November 2019.

[Post meeting note: The Authority has agreed to hold their Special Meeting on Wednesday, 1st May 2019].

The meeting ended at 8.05 p.m.