WASTE MANAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD MINUTES

Date of Meeting: 13 November 2009.

Location: Cabinet Room, Civic Offices

Time: 2.00pm

Attending: Cllr Mrs D Collins - Leader of the Council (DC)

Cllr Mrs M Sartin - Portfolio Holder & Board Chairman

John Gilbert - Director, Environment & Street Scene

David Marsh – Wste & Recycling Manager

(DM)

Steve Holgate - Sita UK

Vlad Velikoselskis - Sita UK

Chris Thorn – Sita UK

(CT)

		Action
1.	Apologies for Absence – Kim Durrani (EFDC), Paul Madden (Sita)	
2.	Declarations of Interest - None	
3.	Draft minutes of meeting 28 September 2009 - Agreed	
4.	Matters Arising (not on agenda). The following items were mentioned: (a) the outstanding visits to a MRF and IVC (b) changes to Board membership (c) waste policy 8 (lost/stolen containers etc)	Sita EFDC EFDC
	(d) the management of contaminated containers It was agreed that item (d) would be considered in detail early in the New Year, with consideration of matters such as the nature of contamination and whether to charge for the collection of bins not collected due to contamination. Also to discuss the collection of nappies, tetrapacks etc.	Sita/EFDC
5.	Contract financial review Financial situation continues to improve, although data not yet available to compare year on year for the new service arrangements. CT indicated that the contract should break even overall by 2012, which reflects the difficulties experienced during the early stages.	
6.	New service review The Board was pleased with the first few weeks of the service, and it was delivering marked improvements in recycling performance. The Board expressed its thanks and offered its congratulations to all who had worked so hard to bring the new service into place.	All
	The Board agreed that residents who wished to use a kerbside caddy instead of a wheeled bin during the winter months should be allowed to so, provided that only one container was set out for collection. This would be kept under close review.	Sita/EFDC
	The following issues were also discussed: (a) the recycling of street cleansing arisings (b) assisted collections (c) the size of the applied RCV information "stickers" and processes for changing the message though a Council year	
	 (d) details for the collection of Christmas trees: 1st two weeks in January 	Sita

	3 feet max height (or cut into pieces of less than 3 feet)		
7.	Street cleansing review The changes to the schedules have been completed and implemented. It should now be possible for the cleansing A to Z to be made available to Board members. Once all agreed it would then be provided to District & Parish Councillors, ECC Councillors and placed on the EFDC website. The intention is to have completed the distribution etc by early 2010.	EFDC/Sit	ta
8.	Recycling of street cleansing arisings A company called "EWD" have been contracted by ECC. The Board expressed a clear wish to investigate the possibility of EFDC joining in this contract. Arisings would be collected, transported to the Depot and then shipped to "EWD".	KD	
	A question was raised about the contents of the split recycling/litter bins and how the contents were handled. All contents of mixed bins are transported to the depot, where the recyclates are removed for onward shipping to the MRF.		
9.	Recycling at schools and flats All schools have had recycling made available to them. Two schools at Epping Green & Ivy Chimneys, are trialling food waste recycling. It was noted that there remained an outstanding report to Cabinet on arrangements for village halls etc.	KD	
	Flats were being assessed for dry recycling only at this time, certainly until all had been assessed and systems introduced in accordance with the new local performance indicator. It was noted that Government was reviewing schedule 2 of the Controlled Waste Regulations 1968 which may affect the services provided to schools, village halls and also impact upon trade waste arrangements.	KD/DM	I
10.	Any other business Need to investigate the validity of the "compostable" logo on some packaging, for example some specialist tea bags. SH was to check at the MRF for clarification.	Sita	
	Date of next meeting Scheduled for the 19 th of January 2010, 14.00 in the cabinet Office, Epping		
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