

NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY

At a meeting of the **NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY** held on **MONDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 2019** at 2.00 pm in Committee Room 2, Crowndale Centre, 218 Eversholt Street, London, NW1 1BD

MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY PRESENT

Councillors Clyde Loakes (Chair), Dean Cohen (Vice-Chair), Rebecca Rennison (Vice-Chair), Jon Burke, Seema Chandwani, Andy Hull and Peter Zinkin

MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY ABSENT

Councillors Charles Adje, Chris Bond, Guney Dogan, Rosalind Doré, Adam Harrison, Richard Olszewski and Claudia Webbe

The minutes should be read in conjunction with the agenda for the meeting. They are subject to approval and signature at the next meeting of the North London Waste Authority.

MINUTES

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Charles Adje, Claudia Webbe, Rosalind Doré, Adam Harrison, Chris Bond and Richard Olszewski.

It was noted that the meeting date had been changed due to a clash with the London Councils' Transport and Environment Committee. The Chair was grateful that Members had arranged their diaries to accommodate the new date.

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF PECUNIARY, NON-PECUNIARY AND ANY OTHER INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Webcasting

The Chair announced that the meeting was being recorded. Those seated in the committee room were deemed to be consenting to being filmed.

4. DEPUTATIONS (IF ANY)

There were no deputations.

5. MINUTES

RESOLVED –

- (i) THAT the public minutes of the North London Waste Authority meeting held on 3rd October 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record; and
- (ii) THAT the public minutes of the Programme Committee held on 3rd October 2019 be noted.

6. 2019/20 BUDGET UPDATE

Consideration was given to the report of the Financial Adviser.

Members noted the potential levy for 2020/21 based on work to date, with changes for next year varying between boroughs. Officers would develop proposals further and consult the Member Finance Working Group before the next Authority meeting.

It was requested that the forecast budget increases for 2021/22 to 2023/24 also be broken down for scrutiny at the next Member Finance Working Group meeting.

ACTION BY: Head of Finance

RESOLVED –

- (i) THAT the Authority noted this review of the 2019/20 revenue budget;
- (ii) THAT the Authority noted the current assessment of the budget and resource requirements for 2020/21 and the factors that could affect the level of the 2020/21 levy; and
- (iii) THAT the Authority noted the issues that will need to be addressed in setting the budget and levy for 2020/21 at the Authority meeting on 13 February 2020.

7. SERVICES UPDATE

Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Strategy and Services.

The Chair suggested that the issues raised in the report with regard to the kerbside collection of Waste Electronic and Electrical Equipment (WEEE) and the Recycling Credit Scheme be considered by the Member Recycling Working Group, with a further report back to the Authority in February 2020.

It was suggested that a comparative chart showing commodity prices in US dollars would be useful, as fluctuations in the value of sterling may be misrepresenting prices in the global market. Officers were asked to investigate this suggestion.

ACTION BY: Head of Strategy and Services

RESOLVED –

- (i) THAT the Authority noted performance on service delivery in the current year; and
- (ii) THAT decisions on the future of the kerbside collection of Waste Electronic and Electrical Equipment (WEEE) and the Recycling Credit Scheme be deferred pending consideration by the Member Recycling Working Group.

8. CONSULTATIONS AND POLICY UPDATE

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

In response to a question about how well the seven constituent boroughs of the North London Waste Authority were doing with regard to the plastic contamination of organic waste, officers confirmed that organic waste collected within the boroughs was usually of good quality.

RESOLVED –

- (i) THAT the Authority noted the updates provided in sections 2 and 3 of the report; and
- (ii) THAT the Authority delegated authority to the Managing Director in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chairs to submit a response to the Environment Agency's Standard rules consultation No20: revision of standard rules sets for biowaste treatment.

9. RESULTS OF THE RECYCLING COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN 'SAVE OUR STUFF' (2016-2019)

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

Members expressed their support for resources to be given to innovative recycling campaigns such as the 'Save Our Stuff' campaign.

In response to a question as to whether further research would be undertaken with the target audience to assess if there were long-term, behavioural changes as a result of the campaign, officers confirmed that there were no plans but considered that the suggestion was worth further exploration.

ACTION BY: Managing Director

RESOLVED –

THAT the Authority noted the report and agreed that plans for future communications activity and campaigns during 2020/21 be taken to meetings of the Members Recycling Working Group for input and oversight.

10. NORTH LONDON HEAT AND POWER PROJECT UPDATE AND REPORTS

Consideration was given to the report of the Programme Director

RESOLVED –

THAT the Authority noted the contents of the report.

11. FORWARD PLAN

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

RESOLVED –

THAT the Authority noted the report.

12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - ACCESS TO INFORMATION

RESOLVED –

THAT the press and public be excluded from the proceedings of the North London Waste Authority on 2nd December 2019 during consideration of the following items on Part II of the agenda, on the basis that, were Members of the public to be present, there would be disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.

Specifically:

Exempt Information Category 3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, including the authority holding that information, and not required to be registered under various statutes: the reasons why the public interest favours withholding the information are that the release of such information would prejudice the Authority's conduct of a commercial operation OR because the disclosure of the information is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of the Authority and organisations engaged in commercial activities as the information related to commercial activities that are conducted in a competitive environment.

13. MINUTES

RESOLVED –

- (i) THAT the private minutes of the North London Waste Authority meeting held on 3rd October 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record; and
- (ii) THAT the draft private minutes of the Programme Committee meeting held on 29th October 2019 be noted.

14. GOVERNANCE OF LONDONENERGY LTD

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

RESOLVED –

THAT the recommendations set out in the report be approved.

15. NORTH LONDON HEAT AND POWER PROJECT PROGRAMME UPDATE

Consideration was given to the report of the Programme Director.

Members were informed that planning permission for the Transport Yard had been granted on 26 November 2019.

RESOLVED –

THAT the Authority noted the report.

16. ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR DECIDES TO TAKE AS URGENT

There was no urgent business.

The meeting ended at 2.30 pm.

CHAIR

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MINUTES END