

## **NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY**

At a meeting of the **NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY** held on **THURSDAY, 3RD DECEMBER, 2020** at 2.30 pm in a Remote Meeting via Microsoft Teams. The meeting could be watched live via <https://councilmeetings.camden.gov.uk>.

### **MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY PRESENT**

Councillors Clyde Loakes (Chair), Rebecca Rennison (Vice-Chair), Peter Zinkin (Vice-Chair), Charles Adje, Kate Anolue, Jon Burke, Dean Cohen, Rosalind Doré, Satnam Gill, Adam Harrison, Kirsten Hearn and Hass Yusuf

### **MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY ABSENT**

Councillors Rowena Champion and Richard Olszewski

**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. GUIDANCE ON REMOTE MEETINGS HELD DURING THE CORONAVIRUS NATIONAL EMERGENCY**

#### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the remote meetings procedures set out on the agenda be agreed.

#### **2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Rowena Champion and Richard Olszewski.

Councillors Charles Adje and Jon Burke gave apologies for having to leave early.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### **Broadcast of the Meeting**

The Chair announced that the meeting was being broadcast live by Camden Council to the Internet and could be viewed on the website for six months after the meeting. After that time, webcasts were archived and could be made available upon request.

Those who had asked to address the meeting were deemed to be consenting to having their contributions recorded and broadcast and to the use of those sound recordings and images for webcasting and/or training purposes.

## **Membership**

Councillor Kirsten Hearn was welcomed back to the Authority, having been reappointed by the London Borough of Haringey.

## **LondonEnergy Ltd**

The Chair announced that Peter Sharpe had left LondonEnergy Ltd (LEL) and he was thanked for his work over the previous 5 and a half years. Following an interview the previous week, Jim Kendall had been appointed as Interim Managing Director of LEL. He and Mary Czulowski, Finance Director and Company Secretary of LEL, were welcomed to the meeting.

## **5. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIR DECIDES TO TAKE AS URGENT**

There were no items of urgent business

## **6. DEPUTATIONS (IF ANY)**

There were no deputations.

## **7. MINUTES**

### **RESOLVED –**

- a) THAT the public minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record; and
- b) THAT the public minutes of the Programme Committee meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 be noted.

## **8. MEMBERSHIP OF THE AUTHORITY AND COMMITTEES: UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority:

- a) Noted the changes to membership as outlined in the report; and
- b) Approved the appointment of Councillor Kirsten Hearn to the Recycling Working Group in place of Councillor Charles Adje.

## **9. 2020/21 BUDGET UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the report of the Financial Adviser.

The Chair noted that there had been a robust discussion on the budget position at the Member Finance Working Group in November.

In response to a query about the reduced household waste tonnages in Camden during 2020/21 in comparison with the other London boroughs, the Chair commented that it may reflect being an inner city borough, with Islington only showing a small increase in household waste tonnages. Councillor Harrison of Camden Council agreed that this probably reflected students and residents with second homes leaving the borough during the coronavirus emergency.

Officers were thanked for the time spent at Finance Working Group discussing the forecast levy increases. The Head of Finance informed the meeting that discussions with borough officers were ongoing. This would now be informed by the November tonnage figures and the challenges of the second lockdown.

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority:

- a) Noted the review of the 2020/21 revenue budget;
- b) Noted the current assessment of the budget and resource requirements for 2021/22 and the factors that could affect the level of the 2021/22 levy; and
- c) Noted the issues that would need to be addressed in setting the budget and levy for 2021/22 at the Authority meeting on 11 February 2021.

## **10. SERVICES UPDATE**

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

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority:

- a) Noted performance on service delivery in the current year;
- b) Agreed the extension to the Waste Electronic and Electrical Equipment (WEEE) contract with European Recycling Platform which comes at no cost for a further 24 months for the core service; and
- c) Noted that officers would consult on the additional services as described in section 6 of the report.

The Chair informed the meeting that Andrew O'Connor, Head of Strategy and Services, would be leaving the Authority later that week. He was thanked for his work over the years.

## **11. ESTABLISHMENT OF WEMBLEY TRANSFER STATION**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

The Chair thanked officers from the Authority, London Energy Ltd and the London Boroughs of Camden and Barnet for their work to conclude agreements and prepare for operation of the Wembley Transfer Station. It was a good outcome for the Authority.

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the position.

## **12. RESIDUAL WASTE REDUCTION PLAN UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the report.

## **13. CONSULTATION AND POLICY UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

It was proposed that before submitting the response, officers review whether the Authority's comments on Pinkham Way were aligned with and not contradictory to Barnet Council's response.

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority:

- A. Noted the contents of the report; and
- B. Approved the draft response to the North London Waste Plan (NLWP) Main Modifications consultation enclosed as Appendix A to the report, subject to:
  - a) Officers reviewing whether the Authority's comments on Pinkham Way were aligned with and not contradictory to Barnet Council's response; and
  - b) If changes to the draft response were proposed, the Managing Director be delegated responsibility for making those amendments in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chairs of the Authority.

## **14. NORTH LONDON HEAT AND POWER PROJECT UPDATE AND REPORTS**

Consideration was given to the report of the Programme Director.

The Chair commended the Galldris operatives for going to the help of an injured party on an adjacent premises.

The progress with creating apprenticeship opportunities and delivering training opportunities was welcomed.

Officers noted Member comments on the need for ongoing dialogue with boroughs as site traffic increased.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the contents of the report.

**15. FORWARD PLAN**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

The Chair noted that the November Spending Review had announced a cut in the Public Works Loan Board lending rate. He requested that more detail be provided on this at a future meeting.

**ACTION BY: Head of Finance**

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the report.

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

There were no items of urgent business.

**17. 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 24th September 2020 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 1 - Information which relates to an individual: the reason why the public interest favours withholding the information is that the release of such information could constitute or facilitate an unwarranted interference with the individual's privacy.

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.

Exempt Information Category 5 - Information in respect of which there is a claim to legal professional privilege: the reasons why the public interest favours withholding the information are that the release of such information could prejudice the safeguarding of openness in all communications between client and lawyer and the Authority's ability to ensure access to full and frank legal advice.

## **18. PART II MINUTES**

### **RESOLVED –**

- a) THAT the private minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record; and
- b) THAT the private minutes of the Programme Committee meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 be noted.

## **19. REVIEW OF RELATIONSHIP WITH LONDONENERGY LTD**

Consideration was given to the report of the Clerk.

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the recommendations set out in the report be approved.

## **20. 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.

## **21. NORTH LONDON HEAT AND POWER PROJECT PROGRAMME UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the report of the Programme Director.

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the cost and commercial status summary.

**22. NORTH LONDON HEAT AND POWER PROJECT PROCUREMENT**

Consideration was given to the report of the Programme Director.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the recommendations set out in the report be approved.

**23. NORTH LONDON HEAT AND POWER PROJECT - FINANCING UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the report of the Financial Adviser.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the contents of the report.

**24. ANY OTHER EXEMPT ITEMS THE CHAIR DECIDES TO TAKE AS URGENT**

There was no exempt urgent business.

The meeting ended at 3.50 pm.

**CHAIR**

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**MINUTES END**