

## **NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY**

At a meeting of the **NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY** held on **THURSDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 2021** at 2.30 pm in Remote meeting via Microsoft Teams. The meeting can 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, Rowena Champion, Dean Cohen, Rosalind Doré, Satnam Gill, Adam Harrison, Richard Olszewski and Hass Yusuf

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

Councillors Kirsten Hearn

**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 Councillor Kirsten Hearn. Apologies for lateness were received from Councillor Richard Olszewski.

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

Councillors Clyde Loakes, Rebecca Rennison and Peter Zinkin declared pecuniary interests in the items on the agenda as Non-Executive Directors of LondonEnergy Ltd. They had received dispensations from their Local Authorities to allow them to participate and vote on the items on the agenda.

#### **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.

### **Supplementary Agenda**

The Chair brought Members' attention to the publication of a supplementary agenda with updated information and recommendations for Item 9: Budget and Levy 2021/22. Officers would outline the changes in their presentation on the report.

#### **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 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record; and
- b) THAT the public minutes of the Programme Committee meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021 be noted.

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

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

The Chair noted that Councillor Jon Burke had resigned from Hackney Council and offered him the Authority's thanks for his work over the previous two years, particularly on recycling. He pushed new ideas and helped shape the narrative while Chair of the Member Recycling Working Group. He asked Councillor Rebecca Rennison to pass on the Authority's thanks and best wishes for the future.

Members gave Councillor Rennison congratulations for her pregnancy and best wishes for the birth and her maternity leave.

The Managing Director informed the meeting that appointments to the Authority by Hackney Council would take effect on 1 March 2021. A report would be brought to the next meeting of the Authority to enable appointments to be made to the Committees.

##### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the changes to membership as outlined in the report.

## **9. BUDGET AND LEVY 2021/22**

Consideration was given to the report and supplementary report of the Financial Adviser.

The Chair thanked officers for their swift response to the identification of an error in the tonnages used to calculate the menu pricing element of the budget and levy.

### **RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority:

- A. Satisfied itself that the proposed budget will be sufficient to meet the net expenditure requirements for the year ahead and agreed the 2021/22 budget.
- B. Agreed to use revenue balance of £4.156m to support the 2021/22 budget.
- C. Agreed the levy for 2021/22 for each borough as follows:

Barnet £13.362m  
Camden £5.125m  
Enfield £7.135m  
Hackney £7.585m  
Haringey £9.000m  
Islington £6.026m  
Waltham Forest £9.565m

- D. Authorised the Financial Adviser to make the arrangements for collection of the levy and charges for non-household and household waste.
- E. Approved the Prudential Indicators and the basis for calculating the Minimum Revenue Provision as laid out in sections 6 and 7 of the budget report.
- F. Approved the per tonne charge for non-household and chargeable household residual and recyclable waste as follows:

Residual Waste £88.63  
Biodegradable Waste £73.47  
Green Waste £48.89  
Food Waste £24.40  
Mixed Dry Recycling £71.41

- G. Noted the medium-term budget forecasts for 2022/23, 2023/24 and 2024/25.

## **10. SERVICES UPDATE**

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

The Chair offered congratulations to LondonEnergy Ltd for achieving accreditation to Fleet Operator Recognition Scheme (FORS) Gold.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority:

- A. Noted tonnage performance in the current year; and
- B. Noted the operational update provided since the last report to the Authority on 3 December 2020.

**11. RESIDUAL WASTE REDUCTION PLAN UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority:

- A. Noted the work delivered in quarter 3 from 1 October to 31 December 2020 and the remaining activities planned for quarter 4 to 31 March 2021;
- B. Approved the next six months' activity 1 April 2021 – 30 September 2021 set out in paragraph 3.2 of the report; and
- C. Reviewed and noted the metrics outlined in Appendix 1 to the report for assessing new projects and measuring the impact of the programme of work.

**12. NORTH LONDON HEAT AND POWER PROJECT UPDATE AND REPORTS**

Consideration was given to the report of the Programme Director.

The Chair commended officers on the report and Councillor Rennison thanked officers for the update on traffic management.

In response to questions about the incident described in paragraph 4.6 where a construction vehicle undertook prohibited access to an operational LondonEnergy Ltd route in the north of the EcoPark, officers explained that that the contractor had taken the route several times previously. The individual had made the poor decision to by-pass a barrier system despite being advised to stop. The incident was being used as a major learning opportunity to remind all contractors that they needed to make themselves aware of any newly prohibited routes at any particular time. The issue had been raised at director-level for the contractor involved in the breach. With regard to the increased traffic on-site, extra traffic management would be employed as new routes were introduced.

The Programme Director confirmed that, subject to a Notice to Proceed decision on 12 February 2021, the metaphorical 'spade in the ground' moment would be on 15 February 2021 with major earthworks removal starting.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the contents of the report.

**13. FORWARD PLAN**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the report.

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

There were no urgent items.

**15. 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 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021 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.

**16. PART II MINUTES**

**RESOLVED –**

- a) THAT the private minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020 be approved and signed as a correct record; and
- b) THAT the private minutes of the Programme Committee meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021 be noted.

**17. REVIEW OF RELATIONSHIP WITH LONDONENERGY LTD**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority noted the report.

**18. GOVERNANCE OF LONDONENERGY LTD**

Consideration was given to the report of the Managing Director.

**RESOLVED –**

THAT the Authority:

- A. Noted the comments on the Company's performance and activities; and
- B. Noted the report for the Fourth Quarter 2020 on the Company's activities at Appendix A to the report.

**19. 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.

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

There were no other exempt items of business.

The meeting ended at 3.35 pm.

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**MINUTES END**