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THURSDAY, 19 JUNE 2025 AT 2.30 PM COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, JUDD STREET, LONDON WC1H 9JE

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

13. DEPUTATIONS (IF ANY)

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Deputation statements are included from:

- David Twine, Caz Royds and Ben Griffith
- Malcolm Stow

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ENDS Issued on: Tuesday, 17 June 2025

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From:	David Twine
То:	Cheryl Hardman
Cc:	ben griffith; Caz Royds; Alliance Islington
Subject:	Deputation to NLWA meeting
Date:	15 June 2025 12:35:24

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Hello Cheryl,

We would like to submit the following two questions/deputations to the NWLA meeting on Thursday 19 June for Agenda Item 16: North London Heat and Power Project Update.

1. It is good to read that the Arup audit review has been completed, but the NLHPP Update paper to this meeting does not present the members, as the governance body, with any of the findings. Please can you confirm the members have been issued with the full Arup audit report, so they can fulfil their governance role through a full understanding of the performance, management and leadership of this mega-project by both Acciona and NLWA?

2. When will the report of the Arup audit review be presented as a publicly accessible document? In the interim, please present to this meeting their main findings.

We are not able to attend the meeting in person, and are concerned about being able to access remotely from the locations we will be in. Therefore, please share the details of how to access the meeting remotely, but we would like the working assumption to be that the deputation will be read out at the meeting by the chair and answered in the meeting in the normal way. We will then access the response to our deputation by watching the video recording if we are unable to access the meeting in real-time.

Many thanks for your help.

Best regards, Ben Griffiths, Caz Royds and David Twine

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- 1. I realise this Heat&Power project has been many years in development and some of us have been here all through that time with regular changes and misinformation around the vision and view of NLWA that the existing incinerator from the 1970's is well over 50 years old now, was due for decommissioning, and a new and larger Energy from Waste based on then existing understanding of the waste 'problem' would be required into the C21st.
- 2. However the original incinerator is still producing Energy from Waste albeit with improved filtering but still polluting air emissions at an increasingly low efficiency in terms of energy generation.
- 3. Energy from Waste generation has been superseded by truly renewable energy and Energy from Waste is now seen as the worst polluting form of energy production.
- 4. In other words Energy from Waste is out of date.
- 5. Climate change science and innovation has overtaken this outdated form of waste management and energy generation.
- 6. Understandably it is difficult now to start to consider alternatives again.
- 7. Yet, the project is now well behind schedule and the NLWA has an ongoing internal review over costs and construction (since around March this year) over the sole final bidder for the scheme Acconia.
- 8. Acconia has now stalled construction and is not co-operating with this NLWA internal review and seems likely now to be reneging on the contract for the new incinerator.
- 9. This is the time to consider in the new light of climate science and net-zero across all sectors of industry, including waste management, that alternatives are coming steadily on stream to mitigate climate change as far as possible, now we are in a critical time of both climate change and industry change.
- 10. NLWA has never seriously considered or adapted to this new environment and essential alternative. Despite likely NLWA/Acconia litigation there is an option to be seriously considered and the only alternative to the present stalled Heat&Power project.
- 11. This is to 1) continue the existing incinerator, further upgraded, only for truly residual waste (that cannot be recycled, yet); and then to 2) re-commision the existing half-built new incinerator building to 3) extend the Materials Recovery Facility and 4) commission truly renewable energy including green hydrogen for local energy generation and 5) to pursue local solutions such as home insulation and truly renewables such as the government is now encouraging through legislation and regulation on so-called waste, to

become not waste but resource based Materials recovery and the project looking forward could pay for itself after minimal initial costs.

- 12. 4 steps 1) Continue 2) Re-commission 3) Extend MRF 4) End EfW.
- 13. I realise this is a big ask and reversal of the current project plans; but these changes for net-zero are now essential and crucially have never seriously been considered by NLWA Heat&Power Project before.
- 14. In the light of impending lengthy litigation due to incompletion of the new build contract by Acconia (as has happened elsewhere, most recently in Australia, over large global infrastructure projects) I ask you again: In the light of this new opportunity presented by the now stalled building works and highly likely litigation with Acconia.
- 15. For this board to now challenge the NLWA management to begin immediately the alternative option outlined without a new oversized incinerator, but with a revitalised Enfield Ecopark and Ecoparks including and involving local residents across and within each of the 7 boroughs.
- 16. Please do this today.
- 17. Any questions?

Cheryl pls confirm that this will be sent to members with agenda prior, thanks, Malcolm.

From: Cheryl Hardman <Cheryl.Hardman@camden.gov.uk>
Sent: 13 June 2025 11:16
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Subject: RE: NLWA 19th June 2024

Hi Malcolm

The AGM is on 19 June at 2.30pm at the Camden Town Hall. The deadline for deputation requests is Monday at 9am.

Thanks

Cheryl

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From: m stow
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Good Morning Cheryl, could you confirm the deadline for deputations to this AGM time and venue. Thank you, Malcolm Stow Enfield.

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