

NLWA Response to Hackney Gazette for ERF Procurement 05/03/2021

North London Waste Authority launched the bidding process for the Energy Recovery Facility (ERF) in July 2020, inviting the world's leading specialists in energy recovery technology to deliver this nationally significant asset for north London. The rigorous selection questionnaire process identified the most suitable candidates for designing and constructing our world-class ERF.

The procurement is currently ongoing and awarding of the ERF contract will be a catalyst for the local green recovery, which will ensure the appointed contractor provides significant local benefits. The ERF contract is expected to deliver at least 90 local apprentices and a substantial number of onsite-training placements, while focusing attention towards local employment and local expenditure; providing significant opportunities for local businesses and the local supply chain.

The ERF supports north London boroughs' plans to tackle the Climate Emergency, where reducing landfill is a key target. The new ERF once operational will save the equivalent of 215,000 tonnes of Co2 compared to landfill. The ERF will use the most advanced emissions control technology making it one of the safest and cleanest of any UK facility. All seven north London boroughs support the development of the NLHPP, and it is part of the Mayor of London's Environment Strategy which is clear our project is needed to manage north London's non-recyclable waste into the future.

Work is moving at pace to build the NLHPP with major construction works starting earlier this year on one of London's biggest publicly-owned Resource Recovery Facilities. The modernisation of the EcoPark is part of NLWA's drive to increase recycling rates in north London to 50%, while ensuring non-recyclable waste is managed in an safe, environmentally-responsible way.

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