

CABINET MEETING

Date of Meeting	Tuesday, 15 December 2015
Report Subject	Hope Household Recycling Centre (HRC) Site
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Waste Strategy, Public Protection and Leisure
Report Author	Chief Officer – Streetscene and Transportation
Type of Report	Operational

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In June 2015 Cabinet approved that the HRC site at Fagyl Lane Hope would remain open at weekends only and for the receipt of recycling material only, until 1st January 2016.

This was subject to the receipt of an expression of interest (EOI) from the community stating their intention to take on the operations of the site which should be received before August 31st 2015.

The report further required that the subsequent business case to operate the site, should then be received and approved, in order that the community could take on the operation and management of the site from 1st January 2016

This report provides Cabinet with a summary of the discussions that are on-going with representatives of the community on the proposed transfer of the facility.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1	That Cabinet approves an extension of the existing 'weekend only' and 'recycling only' arrangement at Hope until 31 st January 2016 to allow additional time for the business case to be approved and to allow the local community representative sufficient time to mobilise resources to operate the site from this date.
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REPORT DETAILS

1.00	EXPLANATION OF THE BACKGROUND TO HOPE HRC SITE
1.01	Following the Cabinet report in June 2015 the local community were given until 31 st August to present an EOI to operate the Hope HRC site.
1.02	An EOI was received in August from a representative who was acting on behalf of the local community offering to operate the facility.
1.03	Since this date, officers from the Council has been providing information which would allow the representative to build a business case to continue operations at the site.
1.04	An initial outline business case has recently been provided to the Council which requires further development work prior to final consideration and approval. In order to provide more time for the representative to complete the business case, a delay to the planned closure date of one month is recommended.
1.05	In the event that the business case is not finalised and approved by the 31 st January 2016 then the site will close completely on the 1 st February 2016.

2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
2.01	Additional costs of the single operator at the site during the weekends in January.

3.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED / CARRIED OUT
3.01	Completed as part of initial decision.

4.00	RISK MANAGEMENT
4.01	The business case will be subjected to a robust due diligence review by officers prior to acceptance.

5.00	APPENDICES
5.01	None.

6.00	LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS
6.01	Contact Officer: S Jones Telephone: 01352 704700 E-mail: Stephen.o.jones@flintshire.gov.uk

7.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
7.01	HRC – Household Recycling Centre EOI – Expression of Interest