



NORTH WALES RESIDUAL WASTE JOINT COMMITTEE

Thursday 28th November 2019 at 2pm at
Venue Cymru, Llandudno

PRESENT:

Councillor Brian Jones (Chair)
Councillor Greg Robbins
Councillor Glyn Banks
Councillor Catrin Wager
Councillor Bob Parry
Councillor Richard Dew

Denbighshire County Council
Conwy County Borough Council
Flintshire County Council
Gwynedd County Council
Isle of Anglesey County Council
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ALSO PRESENT:

Flintshire County Council

Colin Everett (Lead Chief Executive) and Gareth Owens (Chief Officer – Governance)
Gabrielle Povey (Waste Strategy Manager)
Tina Roberts (Project Accountant)

Denbighshire County Council

Tara Dumas (Waste and Recycling Manager)

Conwy County Borough Council

Andrew Wilkinson (Head of Neighbourhood Services)

Gwynedd Council

Steffan Jones (Head of Highways and Municipal)

Isle of Anglesey County Council

Meirion Edwards (Chief Waste Management Officer)

North Wales Residual Waste Treatment Project

Steffan Owen (Regional Contract Manager)

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Carolyn Thomas (Flintshire County Council), Gary Ferguson (Flintshire County Council), Lisa Brownbill (Flintshire County Council), Stephen O Jones (Flintshire County Council), Gareth Owens (Flintshire County Council), Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill (Denbighshire County Council), Tony Ward (Denbighshire County Council).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES



The minutes of the meeting of the North Wales Residual Waste Joint Committee held on the 11th June 2019 were submitted for approval.

Cllr Greg Robbins noted that Cllr Carolyn Thomas was noted as Chair in the minutes, where Councillor Brian Jones was elected Chair at the meeting.

RESOLVED:

- (a) *That the minutes of the meeting of the North Wales Residual Waste Joint Committee held on 11th June 2019 be approved as a correct record.*

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

No matters arising were raised from the previous meeting.

5. **COMMISSIONING AND OPERATIONS UPDATE**

Steffan Owen went through the Commissioning and Operations update Report, outlining that progress on site was positive, with high health and safety standards being maintained on site. The latest programme in relation to 1st waste delivery to Parc Adfer (Commissioning) was late July 2019.

A discussion was had in relation to co-ordinating a press release when waste first enters Parc Adfer following some recent press coverage.

RESOLVED:

- (a) *That the report be noted.*
(b) *That the Regional Contract Manager discuss with WTI the earliest possible date that Parc Adfer could receive waste.*

6. **EXEMPT ITEMS: LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, SECTION 100A AND SCHEDULE 12A (ACCESS TO INFORMATION)**

RESOLVED *that the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting under the provisions of Section 100A of the above Act during consideration of the following items as they involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the Act and that in all the relevant circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.*

FINANCE REPORT

Steffan Owen went through the report as issued in the papers, including outlining the work that was being undertaken in relation to developing the



administrative process for invoice approvals, budget management and payment flows between all parties. An update was given on the status of the Welsh Government Revenue Support Grant during the Commissioning Period.

RESOLVED:

- (a) *That the report be noted.*

1. **CONTRACTUAL UPDATE**

Steffan Owen went through the report as issued in the papers, with updates on the progress on discussions with WTI in relation to two contractual matters. A discussion was held on the background to the issues, and that discussions had been progressing positively with WTI.

RESOLVED:

- (a) *That the report be noted.*
(b) *Give delegated authority to the Lead Authority in discussions with WTI as outlined in the report.*

8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

It was noted that the timeframe for approving the Annual Accounts were now shorter than previously, therefore the next meeting of the Joint Committee will have to allow for the new timeframe.

Tara Dumas noted that the Welsh Government project in relation to the treatment of Absorbent Hygiene Products (AHP) was now looking for information from the residual waste projects in order to inform the AHP project's business case. Steffan Owen agreed to provide information as requested.

(The meeting ended at 4.00 pm)
