









AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 7

NORTH WALES RESIDUAL WASTE TREATMENT PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

NORTH WALES RESIDUAL WASTE JOINT COMMITTEE

Date: 20th February 2013

Period: 5th December 2012 to 13th February 2013

PROJECT SUMMARY

To procure a sustainable waste management solution for the 5 local authorities in North Wales (Conwy, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Gwynedd and Isle of Anglesey) that will assist with the reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from landfill and will minimise the tonnage of waste residue sent to landfill thus ensuring that the authorities avoid Landfill Allowance Scheme (LAS) infraction penalties and meet National Waste Strategy targets.

PROJECT STATUS

Overall Project Status	
Amber	The Project Team were informed in January by one of the remaining bidders, Sita UK, that they were withdrawing from the procurement process. Agenda item 10 on the agenda addresses the implications of this (part 2 item). The information has been reported in specialist press and media. Dialogue has continued with the remaining bidder.

Budget status	
Green	The Project Team made a case to WG towards the end of 2012 that the delay in the procurement process and the aborted expenditure as a result of the Holyhead site becoming unavailable meant additional expenditure to the project of £310,000 not accounted for in the original project budget. In order to ensure that the procurement process is not compromised, WG agreed to provide this additional amount to the project.











Also, Waste Awareness Wales made a total of £15,000 grant available for food and residual waste treatment hubs for specific community engagement activities just prior to the end of 2012. The Project Team submitted an application to fund a series of drop in sessions in Connah's Quay (see agenda item 9), mainly accounted for by press adverts for the sessions, external advisor time to answer queries from the public and printing of information packs available for the public. The Project Team were informed in January that the project was successful in securing the grant.

Waste Awareness Wales has recently contacted the Project to inform them that there may be a further additional £10,000 available. This will be reported to the Project Board at the next meeting.

It should also be noted that WG are aware of the project timetable for close of dialogue with regards the final "stage payment" of £200,000 as originally allocated by WG.

The project team have worked with the lead finance officer to re-work the budget for the remainder of the project to reflect the above. This has been reported to the Project Board for approval.

Status	Meaning
Green	There are no problems; all is progressing well and to plan
Amber	There are some minor/ less significant problems. Action is needed in some areas but other parts are progressing satisfactory
Red	There are significant problems and urgent and decisive action is needed.

PROJECT UPDATE – Activities due for completion 5th December 2012 to 13th February 2013 (and highlighted longer term actions).

ID	Activity	RAG status	Comments	Forecast	Actual
78	The second IAA (IAA2) to be commenced	Amber	This to commence once CFT evaluated and likely preferred bidder is known (and the likely contract structure is more certain).	Spring 2013	
94	Prepare and	Amber	See item 9 on	March	











95	schedule necessary events / meetings / drop in sessions regarding announcement Pre CFT	Amber	agenda. Project team and	2013	
	Documents drafting		advisors drafting CFT documentation to ensure programme is met.	2012	
96	Post ISDS dialogue session with remaining two participants	Amber	Sessions held with remaining participant. (See agenda item 10 (part 2 item))	January – April 2013	
98	Draft readiness to close dialogue report	Amber	Timetable adjusted as a result of procurement timetable movement (See agenda item 10 (part 2 item))	January 2013	
99	Project team session to review project risk register ready for submission to WG as part of WG readiness to close dialogue review	Amber	Timetable adjusted as a result of procurement timetable movement (See agenda item 10 (part 2 item))	February 2013	
100	Specialist advisors to carry out heat network study in Deeside area.	Amber	Draft report now received and will be made available to PB in March 2013 for its consideration.	October / November 2012	
101	Communications strategy for 2013	Green	Agreed at Joint Committee on 13 December 2013	December 2012	Complete
102	Member sessions with Health Protection Agency	Green	Sessions held – see agenda item 9.	6 & 7 February 2013	Complete
103	Arrange readiness to close of review with WG	Green	Set dates for review meeting with WG, to include sufficient time for sign off prior to financial year.	February 2013	











104	Project Team to report to Project Board on the value for money obtained through the competitive dialogue process to date	Green	See item 10 on the agenda	March 2013
105	Report to Project Board on subcontracting arrangements	Green	See item 10 on the agenda	March 2013
106	Organise and host "drop in sessions" in Connah's Quay	Green	Dates booked with venue and external support for the sessions organised	8/9 March & 15/16 March 2013
107	Provide FCC Internal Audit with information as required	Green	Work already commenced, project team liaising with FCC internal audit as required (please see agenda item 6)	February / March 2013

KEY RISKS – See item 8 on this agenda.