

## minutes

Meeting ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Date Thursday 28 June 2012 (commencing at 10.30am)

### membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

### COUNCILLORS

Richard Butler (Chair)

Steve Carr A  
LB Cooper  
Jim Creamer  
Vincent Dobson  
Kevin Greaves

Bruce Laughton  
Parry Tsimbiridis  
Mel Shepherd MBE  
Geoff Merry  
Keith Walker A

Ex- Officio Member – Mrs Kay Cutts A

### OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mick Allen – Group Manager, Waste and Energy Management  
Keith Ford – Senior Democratic Services Officer  
Sally Gill – Group Manager – Planning  
Tim Gregory – Corporate Director, Environment and Resources  
Jas Hundal – Service Director, Transport, Property and Environment  
Michelle Welsh – Labour Group Researcher

### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The following changes to the Committee's membership were reported to the meeting:-

- Councillor Geoff Merry had replaced Councillor Gail Turner
- Councillor Mel Shepherd MBE had replaced Councillor John Hemsall

An Apology for absence was received from Councillor Keith Walker (Apologies submitted - other reasons).

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

None

## **FEEDBACK OF CONSULTATION ON THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MINERALS LOCAL PLAN**

### **RESOLVED 2012/009**

That the outcome of the consultation exercise be noted and the continued production of the Plan in line with the processes set out in the committee report be approved.

## **STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS**

### **RESOLVED 2012/010**

That the report be noted.

## **OVERVIEW OF RELEVANT SERVICE AREAS – MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**

Jas Hundal gave a presentation highlighting the following key issues:-

- the scope and vision of the Strategy;
- the waste hierarchy;
- Nottinghamshire municipal waste figures for 2011/12 (including the percentages of waste recycled/composted, landfilled and incinerated);
- relative performance figures across the County's District and Borough Councils for 2010/11;
- the implications of landfill (including the planned annual increases in Landfill Tax);
- the benefits of incineration and recycling;
- the Council's 26 year contract with Veolia Environmental Services;
- recent planned improvements;
- the Waste PFI Contract Revised Project Plan.

Members thanked Mr Hundal for his useful and informative presentation.

### **RESOLVED 2012/011**

That the contents of the presentation be noted.

## **WORK PROGRAMME**

During discussions, the Chairman highlighted that the next meeting of the Committee on 18 July 2012 would take place at Mansfield Material Recovery Facility and would be followed by a brief presentation and site tour for Councillors. Members also requested a visit to an incinerator at some point in the future.

## **RESOLVED 2012/012**

- 1) That the Committee's work programme be noted and the following additional items be added to it:-
  - wind farms (including pros and cons and impact on local communities);
  - alternative forms of renewable energy – to be included within the planned item on Energy and Carbon Management (29 November 2012 meeting);
- 2) That it be noted that further discussions were proposed to clarify the most appropriate committee for the following outside bodies to report to:-
  - East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Committee;
  - Local Government Flood Forum;
  - Robin Hood Airport Doncaster Sheffield Consultative Committee;
  - Severn Trent Regional Flood and Coastal Committee;
- 3) That the Committee receive quarterly progress reports from the following outside bodies:-
  - Waste Partnering Agreement Board (Joint Waste Management Committee);
  - Waste Recycling Environmental Issues (WREN) Advisory Panel.

The meeting closed at 12.05 pm.

**CHAIRMAN**

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