

GREATER MANCHESTER WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY AUTHORITY MEETING

THURSDAY, 31 AUGUST 2017

Present:	Councillors	Murphy (in the Chair)
		Ali, Brock, Cummings, Driver, Emmott, Fitzpatrick, Hewitt, Holden, Iqbal, Jones, King, Lancaster, Quinn, Piddington, Shilton Godwin, Smart, Young and Zaman.
	Officers	Clerk to the Authority, Treasurer & Deputy Clerk, Solicitor to the Authority, Deputy Treasurer, Head of Corporate Services, Head of Finance, Head of Contract Services, Head of Organisational Development and Administration, Head of Communications and Behaviour Change, Head of Project Management Officer, Re- Procurement Lead, Senior Governance and Scrutiny Officer
	Advisors	Head of Local Government, DWF
Apologies:	Councillors	None
	Officers	Interim Programme Director (Commercial)

28. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence by any Member of the Authority, however apologies was received from the Interim Programme Director (Commercial). The Chair extended a welcome to those present and in particular, Trade Union officials for Viridor who were attending to observe the proceedings in the open part of the agenda.

29. Urgent Business, if any, introduced by the Chair

There were no items of urgent business reported.

30. To receive Declarations of Interest in any contract or matter to be discussed at the meeting

There were no declarations of interest made by any Member, in respect of any contract or agenda item.

31. To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 20th July 2017

The minutes of the meeting of the Authority, held on 20 July 2017, were submitted for consideration as a correct record.

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Authority, held on 20 July 2017, be approved as a correct record.

32. To note the draft minutes of the Audit & Standards Committee held on the 17th July 2017

The draft minutes of the Audit & Standards Committee, held on 17 July 2017 were submitted for information.

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the Audit and Standards, held on 17 July 2017, be noted.

33. Public & Members' Question Time (limited to 15 minutes)

There were no questions received at the meeting.

34. Authority and Committee Work Programmes for the 2017/18 Municipal Year

Members considered the report of the Head of Corporate Services, which sought their comments in relation to the content of the 2017/18 work programmes for the Authority and its Committees, as set out in the appendix to the report.

Members noted that due to the Policy & Procurement Committee meeting scheduled for 8th September being changed into a Special Authority meeting, a number of reports would need to be moved to the next scheduled Committee meeting.

- RESOLVED: That the 2017/18 Work Programme for the Authority, the Audit and Standards Committee and the Policy and Procurement Committee, be agreed, as set out in the appendix to the report; with the exception of the following amendment:
 - a) That the Policy and Procurement Committee, dated 8th September be removed from the Programme and that the Procurement Plan and Performance Report, due to be considered at that meeting, be moved to their next meeting.

35. Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED: That, in accordance with Section 100(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting at this juncture for the following business on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the respectively indicated paragraph 3 and that it would not be, on balance, in the public interest to disclose the information to the public because disclosure would be likely to breach the reasonable requirements of companies to commercial confidentiality at this stage of the procurement process.

36. Recycling & Waste Management Contract - Savings Update

Members considered a joint report of the Treasurer and Deputy Clerk, the Director of Contract Services and the Interim Programme Director (Commercial), which provided them with an update on the progress with regard to the Recycling and Waste Management Contract savings programme and the subsequent re-procurement of replacement operating contracts. A presentation was also provided.

Members were also provided with, as an appendix to the report, the full Delegated Decision report of 23rd August 2017 relating to the entering in to legally binding Heads of Terms in respect of the termination.

The Solicitor reiterated the confidential nature of this report and any subsequent discussions on this matter.

In response to a number of questions from Members relating to existing assets and ownership, environment issues, air quality and plastic bottle recycling initiatives, officers noted that such matters would be considered at the upcoming special meeting of the Authority on 8th September.

Resolved: That the Authority:

- a) records its thanks to Officers for their continued hard work in dealing with highly complex contractual negotiations.
- b) notes the completion of the legally binding Heads of Terms (HoT) with Viridor Laing (Greater Manchester) Limited, which will facilitate the termination of the Recycling and Waste Management Contract, as set out in the report.
- c) notes the emerging re-procurement proposals for operational contracts, as set out in section 6 to the report.
- agrees that a special meeting of the Authority be convened for Friday 8th September 2017 at 10.30 am, to consider detailed proposals for future contracts.
- e) notes the progress with developing a revised methodology to allocate the Levy to constituent Districts from 2018/19 onwards, as set out in section 8 to the report.
- f) notes the emerging budget implications, and require a full assessment of Budget and Levy requirements to be considered at the meeting of the Authority on 19th October 2017.

The meeting opened at 13:30pm and closed at 14:42pm.

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