CABINET MEMBER FOR WASTE AND EMERGENCY PLANNING 18th March, 2013

Present:- Councillor R. S. Russell (in the Chair); Councillors Ali and Swift.

L68. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 4TH MARCH, 2013

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 4th March, 2013 were considered.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Waste and Emergency Planning, as now submitted, be agreed as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

L69. HEALTH AND SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PLANNING UPDATE

Neil Perry, Principal Health and Safety Officer, provided an update on emergency planning and health and safety matters.

Business Continuity:-

- A review had taken place of the S.Y.P.T.E.'s contingency plan and feedback was to be provided shortly.
- Work had commenced with a care provider and feedback was to be provided on their planning arrangements.
- Consultations within the team remained ongoing with regards to B.C.M.

Emergency Planning: -

- Site visits had commenced regarding the identification of an emergency mortuary site.
- Liaison had taken place with South Yorkshire Police regarding the planned BNP protest over the weekend, which had passed peacefully.

Health and Safety: -

- An incident involving a Technician at Oakwood High School was subject to an investigation.
- Roofing projects being undertaken by Neighbourhoods and Adult Services were being closely monitored.
- Equipment used by Streetpride was to be inspected to ensure if was fit for purpose.
- Noise monitoring was to take place in school kitchens, following reported concerns with extractor fans.

It was also noted that arrangements would be made to follow up concerns with regards to training some Elected Members in order to undertake kitchen inspections when out on Health and Safety visits.

Resolved:- That the information shared be noted and the Principal Health and Safety Officer be thanked for his input.

L70. WASTE UPDATE

Adrian Gabriel, Waste Manager, provided an update on waste matters, which included:-

- BDR Treatment Disposal Contract current position.
- A further meeting was scheduled with Trades Unions for Thursday, 21st March, 2013 with regards to waste operations.
- An update on local provision for green waste processing.
- Potential for savings report on Household Waste Recycling Centres to be presented to the next meeting of the Cabinet Member.

Resolved:- That the update be noted and the Waste Manager be thanked for his input.

L71. A TRIAL PROJECT FOR AREA BASED CLEANSING

Consideration was given to a report presented by Shirley Hallam, Streetpride Area Manager, which detailed a proposal to undertake a trial of different ways of street cleansing working.

The trial would begin during the week commencing Monday, 6th May, 2013, in the Clifton area of Rotherham and the local street cleansing operatives would have flexibility to determine how best to keep a defined area clean. Certain elements of the service would remain as they were at present.

Discussion ensued on the areas serviced by the street cleansing, the remit of the trial on Middle Lane and an update which would be provided in September, 2013.

Resolved:- (1) That the report be received and its contents noted.

(2) That a report on the outcome of the trial of different ways of street cleansing working be submitted to a meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Waste and Emergency Planning during September, 2013.

L72. REMOVAL OF CONCRETE LITTER BINS

Consideration was given to a report presented by Shirley Hallam, Streetpride Area Manager, which detailed a proposal to remove obsolete concrete litter bins as part of the wider review of street cleansing services. The report included a list of locations from which the obsolete litter bins

would be removed, either because of health and safety issues, or because of under-use or misuse. The removal of the bins would enable the various street cleansing teams to spend more time dealing with over-flowing litter bins and on litter picking. The costs of removing the litter bins would be met from the existing street cleansing budget.

It was also noted that the removal/replacement of bins would continue on a rolling programme.

Resolved:- That the report be received and its contents noted.

L73. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING - MONDAY 8TH APRIL, 2013 AT 9.30 AM

Resolved: - That the next meeting take place on Monday 8th April, 2013, to start at 9.30 am in the Rotherham Town Hall.