

CABINET MEMBER FOR WASTE AND EMERGENCY PLANNING
8th April, 2013

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

L74. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 18TH MARCH, 2013

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet Member for Waste and Emergency Planning held on 18th March, 2013, were considered.

Resolved: - That the minutes of the previous meeting be agreed as an accurate record for signature by the Cabinet Member.

L75. EMERGENCY PLANNING UPDATE AND HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES

Consideration was given to the update provided by the Emergency and Safety Manager. The update included: -

(a) Business Continuity - work continues on developing BCMShared, draft recovery and restoration and severe weather plan ready for consultation within the team.

(b) Emergency Planning - staff involved in events have attended a Public Safety at Festivals and Mass Gatherings Course run by the Emergency Planning College at Riverside House. The course was very good and well attended. Further training and development is being planned on this subject. An initial meeting has taken place with the Emergency Planning College and the Cabinet Office to deliver a large Reservoir Exercise in South Yorkshire in October 2013.

(c) Health and Safety – established procedures for Town Hall reception staff in dealing with challenging members of the public; agreed a protocol for re-siting and removal of concrete litter bins/dog bins following problems encountered by Green Space Unit staff in moving and handling waste. Officers have attended an 'Engaging with Arboriculture Contractors' workshop facilitated by the Health and Safety Executive. Investigation of sub-contractors, working on Council properties in Parkgate, ensuring the use of safe practices in construction/repair work.

Resolved:- That the update be noted and the Emergency and Safety Manager be thanked for his contribution.

L76. WASTE UPDATE

Consideration was given to the update provided by the Waste Manager, Environment and Development Services. The update included:-

(a) Discussions continue with the neighbouring authorities concerning the waste treatment and disposal contract; the annual shutdown of the Sheffield ErF is planned for May 2013.

(b) positive discussions continue with trades union representatives in respect of the Waste Operations local agreement.

(c) the feasibility of a furniture recycling scheme is being examined.

(d) a publicity campaign, including leaflets and education packs, is being developed to encourage the safe disposal of small electrical goods in accordance with the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations.

(e) Yorkshire Horticulture remain as the named contractor for green waste; the Maltby Transfer Station is being upgraded; analysis is being undertaken to ascertain that there is minimal contamination in green waste deliveries.

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