

**CABINET MEMBER FOR WASTE AND EMERGENCY PLANNING
7th October, 2013**

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

L24. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 2ND SEPTEMBER 2013

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Waste and Emergency Planning held on 2nd September, 2013, were considered.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

L25. 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

- practical sessions with Streetpride, Legal Services and Housing on enhancing business continuity arrangements and migrating information into BCMShared;
- delivery of the seasonal flu vaccination programme to health and social care staff, during October and November 2013;
- Exercise Clash post exercise report (final draft) was published; and is to be ratified at the SESMT on 18th October 2013;
- work has commenced with Zurich Insurance primarily to develop accommodation resilience measures in Sheffield City Council; any learning points from this process will be transferred and embedded within Rotherham Council;
- Liaison has begun with both Sheffield and Rotherham Council emergency care network and partner groups; to ensure Winter planning measures are integrated and complimentary – additionally, promotional activities are planned to be launched within the national “get ready for Winter” campaign week (beginning on 21 October 2013).

(b) Emergency Planning

- Assistance provided to the South Yorkshire Police in respect of two right wing demonstrations during the past few weeks (in Rotherham and Sheffield);
- working with Barnsley and Doncaster to deliver training on what the Local Authority can provide and what they can expect from our response to every Police Officer in South Yorkshire;
- Re-arrangement of the reservoir LRF exercise to Tuesday 4th February 2014.

(c) Health and Safety

- site visit of the Council housing re-roofing project in the Swinton area;
- various health and safety training for staff in schools and at the Rockingham training centre (eg: fire safety, asbestos awareness, COSHH regulations);
- delivered a training session on SHARPS and Manual Handling, for Housing Services staff visiting Council properties to carry out furniture audits and removals/deliveries - poor manual handling techniques are the single most cause of injuries at work.
- provided Health and Safety support for a Cycle Road Race which began and ended in Rotherham and required rolling road closures for the first five miles of the race.

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

L26. WASTE UPDATE

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

(a) delivery of waste to Nottinghamshire Recycling began on 2nd October 2013;

(b) reference to the continuing discussions about the Waste Treatment and Disposal Contract for the 2014/15 financial year;

(c) officers have visited the Energy Recovery Facility at Runcorn on 27th September, 2013; further details of the visit will be reported at a future meeting;

(d) temporary closure of the Magilla household waste recycling site, North Anston, during November and December, 2013;

(e) calendars for the Christmas and New Year 2013/14 waste collection arrangements are being delivered to households;

(f) Waste PFI – deliveries of waste to the facility will begin during January 2015.

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