

CABINET MEMBER FOR STREETPRIDE

Venue: Training Room,
3rd Floor Bailey House,
Rawmarsh Road,
Rotherham. S60 1TD

Date: Monday, 29th June, 2009

Time: 9.45 a.m.

A G E N D A

1. To determine if the following matters are to be considered under the categories suggested, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended March 2006).
2. To determine any item which the Chairman is of the opinion should be considered later in the agenda as a matter of urgency.
3. Opening of e-tenders. (report attached) (Page 1)
4. Improvements to Household Waste Recycling Centres. (report attached) (Pages 2 - 6)
Adrian Gabriel, Waste Strategy Manager, to report.
- to consider the planned improvement programme for all four of the Council's Household Waste Recycling Centres to be undertaken during the financial years 2009/10 and 2010/11.

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO CABINET MEMBER

1. MEETING:- CABINET MEMBER FOR STREETPRIDE SERVICES – DELEGATED POWERS

2. MEETING DATE:- 29th June, 2009

3. OPENING OF OFFERS/TENDERS

I wish to report the opening of e-tenders by the Cabinet Member, Streetpride Services, as follows:-

on 1st June, 2008 for:-

- Highways Waste

4. RECOMMENDATION

That the action of the Cabinet Member be recorded.

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS
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1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member for Streetpride
2.	Date:	29th June 2009
3.	Title:	Improvements to Household Waste Recycling Centres
4.	Programme Area:	Environment and Development Services

5. Summary

- 5.1** This report outlines the planned improvement programme for all four of the Council's Household Waste Recycling Centres to be undertaken during the Financial Years 2009/10 and 2010/11.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1 CABINET MEMBER FOR STREETPRIDE IS REQUESTED TO NOTE:**

A). THE CLOSURE OF WARREN VALE HWRC FOR IMPROVEMENT WORKS ON 13th JULY 2009 FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO TWO MONTHS

B). THE PROGRAMME FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF ALL OUR HWRC's TO BE UNDERTAKEN DURING FINANCIAL YEARS 2009/10 & 2010/11.

7. Proposals and Details

- 7.1 Since the re-designation of the facilities from “Dumpit Sites” to “Household Waste Recycling Centres” the enhanced recycling performance has required more containers and workable space to allow the separation of individual materials for recycling. This increased activity on sites has added to the pressure on the existing infra-structure, which has been devoid of any serious capital investment for many years.
- 7.2 Recent inspections by the Environment Agency, who regulate Environmental Permits, have identified some inadequacies in the hard standing and drainage systems on our sites.
- 7.3 An initial Improvement Plan has been drawn up for each of our four sites by the Engineers in the Highway Design Section. These plans address the issues raised by the Environment Agency.
- 7.4 Work on **Warren Vale HWRC** is scheduled to commence on 13th July 2009 and will require the closure of the site for up to two months. The work will include replacing all the hard standing within the site and installing a new drainage system which will run into an existing nearby public sewer. Permission has been received from Yorkshire Water to make this connection. An oil separator will be installed on site as part of the drainage solution. **Estimated cost is £300,000.**
- 7.5 Immediately following the completion of Warren Vale, work is planned to commence at **Car Hill HWRC**. This will require Car Hill to be closed to the public for a similar period of two months. The work needs to be completed prior to the start of the wet winter season. A soft area to the rear of the site will be converted to hard standing. Around this area a gabion retaining wall will be built to prevent slippage into our site from the surrounding old landfill area. A new drainage system including oil separator is to be installed which will run down Car Hill through a new pipe into a public sewer near to the roundabout at the entrance to the Barbot Hall Industrial Estate. Permission has been received from Yorkshire Water to make this connection. Our plans have also received the approval of the site landlord, Fitzwilliam (Wentworth Estates). **Estimated cost is £370,000.**
- 7.6 Plans have also been drawn up to improve the site drainage at both **Lidget Lane** and **Magilla HWRC's**. The plan for Lidget Lane also includes extending the hard standing areas on site. These works are not expected to commence until the next financial year 2010/11. **Total estimated cost for both is £300,000, in total.**
- 7.7 A new contract has recently commenced for the Management of Household Waste Recycling Centres. Jointly awarded with Barnsley and Doncaster Council's to Waste Recycling Group (WRG). At the commencement of the contract, WRG undertook Site Condition Surveys. Their purpose in completing the surveys is to demonstrate the condition of each site at the start of the contract and thus show which repairs, etc. they consider are the responsibility

of the Council and which are their own. If we accept their findings in full, further ancillary expenditure on fencing, barriers, lighting, etc. will be required to satisfy WRG.

- 7.8 All major construction type works are to be arranged by our Highway Design Team through the Strategic Partnership with the Ringway Group Limited.
- 7.9 Closure of the sites will be advertised in the local media and on site in advance of the work commencing. Only one site will be closed at any particular time. Whilst a site is closed, Permit Holders who normally use that site will be directed to and accommodated at an alternative facility.
- 7.10 During site closures, CCTV monitoring will continue and Enforcement Officers will undertake regular inspections to prevent fly tipping in the immediate site surrounds. Any instances of fly tipping will be fully investigated and prosecutions will be pursued.

8. Finance

- 8.1 The estimated cost of the planned improvement works is:

Warren Vale	£ 300,000
Car Hill	£ 370,000
Lidget Lane & Magilla	<u>£ 300,000</u>
Total Planned Construction Works	£ 970,000
Design & Ancillary Expenditure	<u>£ 78,000</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>£1,048,000</u>

This expenditure is to be met from the Waste Infrastructure Capital Grant received from Defra. This grant is paid over three financial years - £443,000 in 2008/09 - £442,000 in 2009/10 - £163,000 in 2010/11. Carry forward of unspent balances from one year into the next is allowed.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

- 9.1 If the Council do nothing there would be the following risks:-
 - a). failure to comply with the conditions of the Site Environmental Permits which could lead to site closure
 - b). poor site infrastructure compromises the health and safety of both staff and customers.
 - c). failure to achieve recycling targets.
 - d). a possible contractual claim from Waste Recycling Group for failing to provide sites "fit for purpose"
- 9.2 The completion of construction works on time is partly dependant upon weather conditions. Excessively wet periods may delay the work

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

- 10.1** Household Waste Recycling Centres are provided for the use of all householders within our community. They contribute towards achieving the Corporate Plan Priority: Rotherham Safe. By working with public and private partners to implement a Waste Management Strategy which minimises adverse impact on the environment.
- 10.2** Improving the condition and layout of our Household Waste Recycling Centres will assist in improving the recycling rate by increasing operational efficiency and customer satisfaction. Satisfied customers are more likely to segregate their waste for recycling. This will have a positive effect on achieving our key performance indicators.

National Indicator 191 – Residual Household Waste per Household
National Indicator 192 – % of Household Waste sent for Reuse, Recycling & Composting
National Indicator 193 – % of Municipal Waste Landfilled
Local Indicator 90 – % of People Satisfied with Waste Services

11. Background Papers and Consultation

- 11.1** The following have been consulted :

Environment Agency
Planning & Regeneration Service
Council's Financial Services
Wentworth (Fitzwilliam Estates)
Water Authorities
Waste Recycling Group
Barnsley & Doncaster Councils

- 11.2** APPENDIX 1 – Environment Agency Letter dated 29th January 2009

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Dear Sir

Carr Hill and Warren Vale Civic amenity sites

I refer to the constructive meetings held at both sites recently when representatives of the Council, Waste Recycling Group and ourselves discussed concerns about the current operation of these two sites.

We are concerned about both sites especially the drainage infrastructure. Both sites have standing water which is becoming contaminated and the hand-standing is breaking up. This has the possibility of contaminating groundwater and possibly surface water.

I understand you have plans to improve both sites. I should be grateful if you could forward details of such plans.

Our preferred option for drainage from CA sites is to the public foul sewer. Please can you confirm the drainage routes for both sites.

Should you wish to discuss the situation please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours faithfully

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