

BARNSELEY, DONCASTER AND ROTHERHAM JOINT WASTE BOARD
Monday, 28th September, 2020

Present:- Councillor (in the Chair); Councillors Hoddinott and Sansome.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors .

63 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made at the meeting.

64 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved:- That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that an appendix of the report involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of such Act indicated, as now amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

65 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 29TH JUNE, 2020

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

66 BDR MANAGER'S REPORT

The Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham Waste Partnership Senior Contract Manager presented a report which highlighted and updated the following issues relating to the Joint Waste Private Finance Initiative (PFI) for the period April to August 2020:-

- Resources
- Contract Delivery
- Community Liaison Group
- Bolton Road
- Complaints
- Grange Lane
- Health and Safety
- Financial
- Communications
- Resources
- Joint Working and BDR Support

Resolved:- That the report be noted

67 CURRENT ISSUES - FLIES

A verbal update was provided on the following issue:-

Flies

- A local Facebook campaign in June had specifically named the BDR treatment facility at Bolton Road as the cause of increased levels of flies and encouraged residents to report the site to the Environment Agency
- The Environment Agency (EA) had submitted a Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) in June 2020 indicating 38 complaints received from localities within a 1.5 km radius of the site
- Renewi had provided information that 10 of the complaints were from one area. As the EA was unable to visit the properties associated with the 38 complaints due to Covid restrictions, zero score on the CAR report was issued for the month
- There had been a significant reduction in complaints received – 8 in July, 4 in August and one so far in September
- The EA and their consultant entomologist had visited the MBT facility on 20th July. Waste streams were inspected at several locations with evidence of fly activity in the raw waste delivered by the councils but no evidence found in bio-dried waste. Renewi have been instructed to carry out further extensive investigations within the bio-hall
- Following concerns raised by the consultant, the EA and BDR contract monitoring team had met to discuss the issues. EA felt that Renewi site was breaching its permit in relation to flies and a CAR report and required actions submitted. However, there were some areas in the locality where the residents' bin hygiene was lacking and the Renewi CELO was to provide information to EA on hints and tips to keep flies out of household bins to be included in communication to local residents
- Upon receipt of the consultant's report, Renewi had instigated some remedial actions including additional BAYT boards, increased fly monitoring sites in the AD plant, turning off of spray misters and investigation alternative methods of surface application of larvicide prior to receipt of the CAR. However, on the whole the report had stated that Renewi's fly management programme included most of the expected elements
- Further improvements were being considered
- There were no concerns from DEFRA at the present time

Resolved:- That the update be noted.

Consideration was given to the report which set out in detail the risks associated with the delivery of the BDR PFI Waste Facility contractual obligations now the facility was operational. The risks identified in the register were considered by the BDR Steering Committee every 8 weeks.

The current Risk Register contained 17 risks with the Coronavirus risk having reduced slightly from the start of the pandemic as all the controls and measures were working currently. The plant had been working throughout the period.

Paul Castle wished to place his thanks on record to BDR and Simon Lund and his team for the help provided at the time of the recent fire at the transfer station.

Resolved:- (1) That the updated Risk Register be received and the contents noted.

(2) That any further risks be identified that require deletion or addition to risk register.

69 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Resolved:- That meetings be held during the 2020/21 Municipal Year as follows:-

Monday, 14th December, 2020

15th March, 2021

All commencing at 9.30 a.m.