

## **BDR WASTE PFI**

### **BDR MANAGER UPDATE REPORT, SEPTEMBER 2012**

#### **Resources**

The holiday season and team illness has impacted on the progress of the Contract Manuals.

Advisors – Amec (technical advisors) are accessed through the Government Procurement Service framework. PWC (financial advisors) remain on a framework agreement with RMBC and Legal advice is to be procured as required following Rotherham's Standing Orders

#### **Governance**

A report on the Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham (BDR) Waste PFI Contract scheme of delegations was agreed by Doncaster Cabinet on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2012. The Call-in period for this decision ends on September 11<sup>th</sup> 2012.

The BDR Steering Committee delegated authority to the BDR Manager on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2012 in accordance with the terms of the IAA2 this delegation being subject to the end of the Doncaster call-in period.

Draft Terms of Reference for the various project groups are being drawn up for approval in line with recommendations from the audit report.

#### **Technical**

Planning – Bolton Road – The Judicial Review (JR) period concluded with no challenges on the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2012.

Permitting – Bolton Road- the EA have issued a draft permit to Shanks in relation to the Bolton Road facility, this permit will be subject to a 15 day public consultation period before a final permit is issued.

Ferrybridge have received a Schedule 5 notice from the EA requesting further information and are working their way through the responses.

#### **Project Delivery**

3SE have formally notified BDR that they wish to commence works on the access area to the site on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2012. Notices have been placed on the closure of Public Bridleway number 50.

Licences for temporary works including the installation of welfare facilities have been applied for and Planning conditions are being discharged.

## **Visitors Centre**

Local colleges have been approached to provide input into the internal layout of the visitors centre. A draft evaluation matrix has been prepared for consideration based on the technical evaluation criteria of the bid documentation.

## **Finance**

The contract management costs are projected to be within budget.

Defra have confirmed the allocation of £77.4 million Waste Infrastructure Credits subject to certain conditions which the BDR Team are ensuring compliance with.

## **Audit**

Barnsley Auditors have completed their audit of the BDR Waste Management PFI Contract and have made 8 recommendations. An action plan has been produced following the audit and progress on these recommendations is to be reported to Steering Committee and Joint Waste Board.

The current project plan is to be updated and key stages for Gateway Reviews are to be identified.

Audit noted that the Waste Infrastructure Delivery Programme – Project Governance best practice guidance published by DEFRA in June 2008 recommends the appointment of a non-executive director to the JWB. The Audit report noted that the meetings are open to the public which may provide some independence/challenge. Joint Waste Board may wish to consider a more formal appointment.