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To: Councillor Eryl Williams (Chairman)

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Councillors: Aaron Shotton, Kevin Jones, Dave Cowans, Michael Priestley, David Smith, John Wynn Jones, Richard Dew and J. Arwel Roberts

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Dear Sir / Madam

The Meeting of the <u>NORTH WALES RESIDUAL WASTE JOINT COMMITTEE</u> will be held in the <u>COUNCIL CHAMBER, BODLONDEB, CONWY LL32 8DU</u> on <u>TUESDAY 17 MARCH 2015</u> at <u>6.00PM</u> to consider the following items.

WTI will be available at the location to be called into the meeting as required

Yours faithfully

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Democracy & Governance Manager

<u>A G E N D A</u>

- 1 APOLOGIES
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 3 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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4 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985 - TO CONSIDER THE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following item is considered to be exempt by virtue of Paragraph(s) 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The contract process is still underway and would be prejudiced by making public at this stage.

5 **PROCUREMENT UPDATE (PRESENTATION TO BE GIVEN ON THE DAY)**

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS





NORTH WALES RESIDUAL WASTE JOINT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Joint Committee held at Conwy Business Centre, Llandudno Junction on Thursday, 29 January 2015

PRESENT:

Councillor Eryl Williams (Chairman) – Denbighshire County Council Councillor Mike Priestley (Vice-Chairman) – Conwy County Borough Council Councillor Dave Cowans – Conwy County Borough Council Councillor Richard Dew – Isle of Anglesey County Council Councillor Kevin Jones – Flintshire County Council Councillor Aaron Shotton – Flintshire County Council Councillor William G. Roberts – Gwynedd County Council Councillor David Smith – Denbighshire County Council

ALSO PRESENT:

Flintshire County Council

Colin Everett (Lead Chief Executive), Gary Ferguson (Section 151 Officer), Gareth Owens (Monitoring Officer) and David Webster (Internal Audit Manager)

Denbighshire County Council

Steve Parker (Head of Environment)

Conwy County Borough Council

Andrew Wilkinson (Head of Neighbourhood Services)

Gwynedd Council

Medwyn Williams (Senior Manager (Waste Treatment))

Isle of Anglesey County Council

Meirion Edwards (Lead Technical Officer) and Dewi Williams (Head of Service – Highways and Waste Management).

North Wales Residual Waste Treatment Project

Steffan Owen (Project Manager) Frank Smith (Project Director)

Local Partnerships UK

Huw Roberts (Advisor)

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Dilwyn Williams, (Chief Executive (Gwynedd Council))

2. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

Councillor Aaron Shotton declared a personal interest due to comments made in the press in the past related to the project.





3. <u>APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES</u>

The minutes of the meeting of the North Wales Residual Waste Joint Committee held on the 31 July, 2014 were submitted for approval.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the North Wales Residual Waste Joint Committee held on 31 July, 2014 be approved as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

There were no matters arising.

5. <u>PROGRESS REPORT</u>

The Project Manager presented the progress report and advised that Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. (WTI) had been brought out by an American private equity firm called Energy Capital Partners (ECP). As part of the buyout, ECP undertook a review of all WTI's projects outside the United States, and as a result the review discussions have continued with WTI with a resultant day in the timetable.

The Project Board have been updated and met regularly to discuss the implications of the delay in the timetable. Members were advised that key actions would be covered in the remaining agenda items.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

6. <u>COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE</u>

The Project Manager updated members on communication matters concerning the North Wales Residual Waste Treatment Project (NWRWTP).

The Project Manager reported that following submission of the planning application, a two formal objections had been received from Friends of the Earth (one from Friends of the Earth Cymru and a combined one from two local Friends of the Earth groups. The objections had been sent to the Planning Officers to provide a formal response.

Councillor Aaron Shotton asked whether representations had been received from residents of Burton. The Project Manager said that he was aware of their objections but had not seen any particular details as yet.

RESOLVED that the communications update be noted.

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The balance of public interest is against disclosure of the report as this could prejudice the procurement process.

7. <u>RIR – RISK STATUS UPDATE</u>

The Project Manager presented the Risk Register report which highlighted some of the amendments to the risk register that had been made to reflect the current understanding of risks and mitigation measures that were in place.

The Project Manager reported that there were a number of new risks or amended risks from that reported to the Project Board, as shown in the report. Members were advised that the new risks would be covered in the remaining agenda items.

RESOLVED that the updated Risk Register for the project be noted.

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8. <u>PROCUREMENT UPDATE</u>

Colin Everett, Chief Executive (Flintshire County Council) gave a detailed presentation on the procurement position update, and responded to the questions and comments made.

Following the presentation, representatives of WTI were invited to give a detailed presentation on their revised proposals, and responded to the questions and comments made.

RESOLVED to provide specific feedback to WTI on their bid, and request WTI consider that feedback in further revising their offer to the Partnership. The Project Team to continue discussions with WTI in the light of the Joint Committee's specific feedback.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The next Joint Committee meeting would be convened following further feedback and discussions with WTI, but likely to be in March 2015.

The meeting concluded at 5.20 p.m.