



PRESENT:

Councillor G Hazelwood (Chairman) representing North Kesteven District Council

Councillor C L Strange	Lincolnshire County Council
Councillor A H Turner MBE (Executive Support Councillor for Waste)	Lincolnshire County Council
Richard Belfield	Lincolnshire County Council
Sean Kent	Lincolnshire County Council
Ian Taylor	Lincolnshire County Council
Lisa Foster	Lincolnshire County Council
Roger Holloway	Lincolnshire County Council
Carl Miller	Lincolnshire County Council
George Bernard	Boston Borough Council
Councillor Mrs Y Bodger	City of Lincoln Council
Caroline Pritchard	City of Lincoln Council
Councillor B P Burnett	East Lindsey District Council
Roy Ormsby	East Lindsey District Council
Mark Taylor	North Kesteven District Council
Councillor H R Johnson	South Holland District Council
Glen Chapman	South Holland District Council
Councillor J Smith	South Kesteven District Council
Tracey Blackwell	South Kesteven District Council
Councillor I Parrott	West Lindsey District Council
Glynn Pilkington	West Lindsey District Council
Simon Mitchell	Environment Agency
Robin Hall	Government Office for the East Midlands

23. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G Clare (Boston Borough Council) and Tony Gray (City of Lincoln Council).

24. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Partnership meeting held on 10 December 2009 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

25. CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

The Chairman made a brief statement to the Partnership reminding everyone of the importance of working together and the need to bring to the Partnership any

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problems or issues they face in their districts. It was also noted that it was important to move forward with the Waste Strategy through the whole county.

RESOLVED

That the statement be noted.

26. PRESENTATION BY PROCUREMENT LINCOLNSHIRE

The Lincolnshire Waste Partnership received a presentation from Carl Miller and Roger Holloway from Procurement Lincolnshire, which provided a brief introduction to procurement. The presentation focussed on the areas of the strategic direction, Procurement Lincolnshire 'myths', the structure of the team, the category approach, what Procurement Lincolnshire did, the support provided, an overview of sustainable procurement and the strategic context and the flexible framework. Following the presentation the Partnership was provided with the opportunity to ask questions where the following points were noted: that there was benchmarking to ensure that the service was achieving what it needed to; that carbon reduction was measured, and if checks were made to ensure that the most effective and up to date contracts were in place; there was a need to protect small businesses; it was possible for contracts to be broken down into individual parts which could be bid for individually; officers were looking into invest to save technologies such as voltage reduction devices as well as further use of natural materials; it was also noted that there was a need to encourage an increase in sites that were able to deal with green waste.

The Partnership was requested to contact either Sean Kent or Rachel Wilson with any future topics for meetings.

The Chairman thanked the officers from Procurement Lincolnshire for their presentation.

RESOLVED

That the presentation be noted.

27. BOSTON GREEN WASTE

Sean Kent, Head of Environmental Management, provided the Partnership with a brief update on the situation with green waste in Boston. It was reported that the Leaders of Boston Borough Council and Lincolnshire County Council were discussing the way forward and officers would feedback from the next Officer Working Group. It was emphasised that it was important for officers to come back with information so that this situation could be progressed.

28. SPECIAL SERVICES

Ian Taylor presented a report to the Partnership which discussed the introduction of a truck and two crew members to support district council cleansing operations and requested the Partnership to express both individual and collective views on this service. The general views expressed by members of the Partnership were that this was a very helpful, additional service and had provided the opportunity to take action against fly-tippers and had led to prosecutions. However, one district commented

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that they would like to see the scope of the team expanded. East Lindsey District Council commented that they had not seen a lot of benefit from the team, but the instances of fly-tipping in East Lindsey were very low anyway.

RESOLVED

That the views provided by the district councils on this service be noted.

29. ROUTING SOFTWARE UPDATE

Ian Taylor provided an update to the Partnership regarding the progress with the Routing Software. He reported that information relating to the first scenario had already been sent out and also that the County was not yet in a position to finalise the location of the Waste Transfer Station.

Officers were invited to the next meeting of the Officer Working on 9 March 2010. It was also suggested that an additional meeting of the Officer Working Group would also be held after the 9 March 2010 to further discuss this issue and to consider how to take it forward.

RESOLVED

That an additional meeting of the Officer Working Group be held after the 9 March 2010.

30. REVIEW OF HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING CENTRES

The Partnership received a report from Ian Taylor regarding the Review of Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC). The report invited members of the partnership to take part in the review process, and also to suggest any further areas the review should include.

Questions were raised regarding the progress with the HWRC's for Stamford and Market Rasen, and it was reported that the situation was looking hopeful with only legal issues delaying the build at Stamford, and it was hoped that the County Council would be on site in Market Rasen in a few months.

RESOLVED

1. That the report be noted and initial responses considered
2. That the review be referred to the Officer Working Group to progress

31. ENERGY FROM WASTE CONTINGENCY

Sean Kent provided a verbal update to the partnership regarding the Energy from Waste contingency and the provision for LATS. It was reported that the County Council was hoping to purchase LATS for 2012-2013 as they were currently available for £4.99. These would be purchased for the gap which may occur between current LATS being used up and the opening of the Energy from Waste plant. It was also noted that if there was a surplus of LATS they could then be sold again in 2012-13, most likely at a profit.

RESOLVED

That the update be noted.

32. SMALL VS LARGE HOUSEHOLD WASTE RECYCLING CENTRES

Sean Kent provided the Partnership with an update on the situation with the Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC) in Mablethorpe and Long Sutton. It was suggested that the 7 mile radius for access to a HWRC may have to be extended to a 12 mile radius, and therefore the use of HWRC's in Norfolk and Kings Lynn may have to be considered. It was requested that travelling time to each HWRC should also be taken into account as travelling even small distances in rural areas could be time consuming.

It was reported that no acceptable piece of land had been found in Mablethorpe, and finding suitable areas in Long Sutton had also proved difficult after years of searching and assistance from the local councillor.

Sean Kent suggested that he and Ian Taylor would visit East Lindsey District Council to speak with officers about this situation and try and resolve it. It was also suggested that Councillor Strange would meet with Councillor Johnson to discuss the situation in South Holland.

RESOLVED

1. That the update be noted
2. That Sean Kent and Ian Taylor visit East Lindsey District Council
3. That Councillor Strange, Sean Kent and Ian Taylor visit South Holland District Council to meet with Councillor Johnson.

Following the completion of business on the agenda, Councillor Mrs Bodger representing the City of Lincoln Council informed the Partnership that they had had some problems with a builder not adhering to the planning permission that had been granted and as a result a block of flats had been built with no provision for waste storage. She wished to know if anyone else had experienced this problem and if so, could any advice be offered about how to resolve it? South Holland reported they had experienced a similar problem and offered to speak to Councillor Bodger outside of the meeting.

The meeting closed at 11.55am.