

#### ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 23 JUNE 2015

## PRESENT: COUNCILLOR C L STRANGE (CHAIRMAN)

Councillors Mrs V C Ayling (Vice-Chairman), C J T H Brewis, J R Marriott, C Pain and G J Ellis

Executive Councillor R A Shore for Waste and Recycling attended the meeting and spoke

Councillors: R G Fairman, R A Shore and A H Turner MBE JP for Waste and Recycling, attended the meeting as observers

Officers in attendance:-

Steve Blagg (Democratic Services Officer), Andrew Houseman (Senior Procurement Officer), Marie Kaempfe-Rice (Senior Procurement Officer), Sean Kent (Group Manager Environment Services), Louise Tyers (Scrutiny Officer) and Steve Willis (Chief Operating Officer)

#### 13 <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/MEMBERSHIP CHANGES</u>

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A M Austin, A Bridges, M Brookes, N M Murray and C R Oxby.

The Chief Executive reported that having received notice under Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, he had appointed Councillor G J Ellis as a replacement member on the Committee in place of Councillors R A Renshaw, for this meeting only.

## 14 CONSIDERATION OF EXEMPT INFORMATION

#### RESOLVED

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12 of the Act.

## 15 <u>AWARD OF COUNTYWIDE MIXED DRY RECYCLABLES CONTRACT</u>

The Committee received a report on the award of a Countywide Mixed Recyclables Contract which was due to be considered by the Executive Councillor for Waste and

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Recycling on 24 June 2015. The views of the Committee would be reported to the Executive Councillor as part of his consideration of this item.

The Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling presented the report and apologised for its delay to the Environmental Scrutiny Committee on 12 June 2015, when it was originally due to be considered, due to a delay in receiving legal and resources comments. The Committee had agreed to defer consideration of the report to this meeting to allow more time to consider the report.

The Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling outlined the reasons to award the contract for the receipt, haulage, sorting and marketing of mixed dry recyclable materials countywide to the contractor detailed in the report.

The Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling and officers responded to comments and questions raised by the Committee, including:-

1. Health and Safety issues, including the management of risk and processes by the company and the monitoring thereof by the County Council.

2. Outlined the reasons for the lack of response from other contractors in the tendering process.

3. The current market conditions for dry recyclables were explained.

On a motion by Councillor J R Marriott, seconded by Councillor C J T H Brewis, it was –

RESOLVED (5 votes for and 1 against)

That the recommendation to the Executive Councillor for Waste and Recycling detailed in the report by supported and that officers and the Executive Councillor be thanked for addressing the Committee's concerns.

The meeting closed at 11.00 am