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1st September 2015

Councillor Bob Derbyshire,
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Dear Councillor Derbyshire,

Environmental Scrutiny Committee – New Household Waste Recycling Centre and Re Use Facility – Consideration of Called – In Cabinet Decision CAB/15/25 – 26th August 2015

On behalf of the Environmental Scrutiny Committee I would like to thank you and the officers for attending the Committee meeting on Wednesday 26th August 2015. The meeting considered 'Environmental Scrutiny Committee – New Household Waste Recycling Centre and Re Use Facility – Consideration of Called – In Cabinet Decision CAB/15/25 – 26th August 2015'.

As you will be aware at the end of the meeting the Committee were asked to vote on whether or not to refer the decision back to Cabinet. I can confirm that having considered the evidence Members voted to refer the matter back to Cabinet; three Members were in favour of referring the decision back and two were against referring the decision back.

The reason cited for referring the decision back to Cabinet was that a detailed traffic assessment referencing travelling times from various parts of north Cardiff to both proposed sites was not provided. Instead estimates based on 'Google Live Traffic' were used in the report to illustrate travelling times. Members were not happy with this approach, particularly as the issue was highlighted in a letter to you on the 9th June 2015; a copy is attached to this letter as **Appendix 1**. The Committee recommends that a detailed traffic assessment is provided with any future Cabinet report; this should include data based on an actual traffic survey measuring travel times from various

sites in north Cardiff to the potential Household Waste Recycling Centres. The traffic survey data should also based on various travelling times during the day and week - especially including peak traffic times.

I would be grateful if you would consider the above comments and provide a response to the requests made in this letter.

Regards,

Councillor Paul Mitchell

Acting Chairperson Environmental Scrutiny Committee

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