
CARDIFF'S FUTURE WASTE FACILITIES – MEMBER UPDATE

Reason for the Report

1. To provide Members with an update on the work being undertaken to develop future waste infrastructure and facilities for Cardiff. This brief update will consider:
 - A progress update on the Prosiect Gwyrdd contract for processing municipal waste;
 - A progress update on the anaerobic digestion plant currently being built by Kelda Organic for the processing of organic waste;
 - An update on any proposals to develop future waste infrastructure with other local authorities and regional partners;
 - Work currently being undertaken to develop reuse and recycle facilities across Cardiff.

Background

2. At the meeting on the 13th October 2015 Members expressed an interest in receiving a short update on the development of Cardiff's waste infrastructure and facilities. It was felt that in particular the short item should include the detail on the progress of 'Prosiect Gwyrdd' and the construction of an anaerobic digestion plant by Kelda Organic which will process Cardiff's organic waste.

Way Forward

3. Councillor Bob Derbyshire, Cabinet Member for the Environment has been invited to attend for this item. He will be supported by officers from the City Operations Directorate.

Legal Implications

4. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters there are no direct legal implications. However, legal implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any legal implications arising from those recommendations. All decisions taken by or on behalf of the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers on behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Scrutiny Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

Financial Implications

5. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters there are no direct financial implications at this stage in relation to any of the work programme. However, financial implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any financial implications arising from those recommendations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is recommended to:

- i. Consider whether they wish to pass on any comments to the Cabinet following the Member update on the Cardiff's Future Waste Facilities.

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