## PROSIECT GWYRDD JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING

19 May 2020, 11.00 am

**LOCATION: Remote Meeting** 

## Present:

## **Elected Members:**

**Councillor Chris Weaver, Cardiff Council** 

Councillor Colin Gordon, Caerphilly County Borough Council

**Councillor Phil Murphy, Monmouthshire County Council** 

**Councillor Jane Pratt, Monmouthshire County Council** 

**Councillor Roger Jeavons, Newport City Council** 

Councillor Peter G King, Vale of Glamorgan Council

Councillor Eddie Williams, Vale of Glamorgan Council

## Officers:

**Andrew Williamson, Cardiff Council** 

Sian Humphries, Cardiff Council

Matthew Wakelam, Cardiff Council

Marc Falconer, Cardiff Council

**Andrea Redmond, Cardiff Council** 

**Gary Jones, Cardiff Council** 

Julie Baker, Cardiff Council

Anna Rees, Cardiff Council

Robert Hartshorn, Caerphilly County Borough Council

**Laura Carter, Monmouthshire County Council** 

Sylvia Gonzalez-Lopez, Newport City Council



No	Item	Action

No	Item
16	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies were received from Councillors Michael, George and Truman
17	Declarations of Interest
	None received.
18	Minutes
	The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a correct record.
19	Matter Arising from the Minutes
	To remove Councillor Gordon from the attendee list of previous meeting.
20	Prosiect Gwyrdd Update Report for Joint Committee  Members were advised that in March this year Viridor's parent company, Pennon Group, announced that it has agreed the sale of Viridor to KKR an infrastructure investment fund. The transaction is expected to complete in the summer of this year.
	During 2019/20 a total of 170,071.63 tonnes of residual waste was sent to the Prosiect Gwyrdd Contract and was all processed at the Trident Park ERF being 45% of the facility's total input. This was against a projected profile of 168,680 tonnes.
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Quantity of Contract Waste Delivered by Each Partner Authority in 2019/20

Authority	2019/20 Tonnage
Cardiff	77,873
Caerphilly	31,642
Monmouthshire	17,310
Newport	27,111
Vale of Glamorgan	16,316
Total Prosiect Gwyrdd	170,072

From the Prosiect Gwyrdd Contract Waste delivered 26,872 tonnes of Incinerator Bottom Ash was recycled, 1,166 tonnes of the Air Pollution Control Residue was recycled, 3,364 tonnes of ferrous metals was recycled and a further 455 tonnes of other metals were recycled. During the year 16.24 tonnes of contract waste was sent to landfill and 776 tonnes of Air Pollution Control Residue was landfilled.

In 2019/20 Viridor achieved all of the five Key Targets:

Key Target	Target Percentage	Actual Percentage
The Contractor's Guaranteed Unprocessed	0.0%	0.0%
Landfill Target Percentage		
The Contractor's Guaranteed Maximum	2.1%	0.47%
Percentage of Contract Waste to Landfill		



No	Item		Action	
	The Contractor's Guaranteed IBA Recycling	100.0%	100.0%	
	Target Percentage			
	The Contractor's Guaranteed BMW Diversion	100.0%	100.0%	
	Target Percentage			
	the Contractor's Guaranteed Unreprocessed	0.0%	0.0%	
	IBA Target Percentage			

As a requirement of revenue support from WG the facility is required to be CHP ready and to achieve and maintain R1 Status. Trident Park submitted the final stage 3 report to Natural Resources Wales confirmed with an annual figure of 0.78 which is in excess of the 0.65 requirement and 0.02 higher than last year. This classifies Trident Park as a recovery facility.

The Incinerator Bottom Ash is currently being recycled by Days Aggregates at their facility in Avonmouth. A proportion of the incinerator bottom ash continues to be transported by rail.

The Air Pollution Control Residue is currently either being recycled by O.C.O. Technology Ltd at their facility in Avonmouth or landfilled by Grundon (Waste) Ltd at their Gloucestershire facility.

With reference to the Community and Community Benefit Fund, Members were advised that during 2019/20 the Prosiect Gwyrdd Community Benefits Fund Panel met three times where a total of £43,846.93 was awarded between twenty-seven community initiatives based with the Prosiect Gwyrdd Partnership Local Authority areas.

The Breakdown of 2019/20 Prosiect Gwyrdd and Viridor Community Fund Awards were as follows:

Authority	Number of Projects	Total Value
Caerphilly County Council	2	£2,250.00
Cardiff Council	11	£17,354.31
Monmouthshire County Council	2	£4,692.77
Newport City Council	7	£10,986.93
Vale of Glamorgan Council	4	£7,764.00
Projects working across all areas	1	£798.92

Members were also provided with a Breakdown of 2019/20 Prosiect Gwyrdd and Viridor Community Fund Awards, per Local Authority.

Details of the funding criteria and how to apply can be found at: <a href="https://viridor.co.uk/our-operations/energy/energy-recovery-facilities/cardiff-erf/community">https://viridor.co.uk/our-operations/energy/energy-recovery-facilities/cardiff-erf/community</a>

During 2019/20 the number of groups visiting Trident Park was 76, with a total of 1,134 visitors.



No	Item Action
	RESOLVED: to note the report.
21	Prosiect Gwyrdd 2019/20 Outturn and Annual Financial Return Members were advised that this report presents the draft, unaudited Financia Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2020 prior to the statutory deadline of 31st May 2020. The Joint Committee will be asked to approve the unaudited Annual Return and following their approval, the document will be available for public inspection and then submitted to the Wales Audit Office (WAO) to undertake the external audit of this return.
	Regulation 14 states that smaller local government bodies (those with annual income and expenditure below £2.5 million) can prepare their accounts in the form of an Annual Return replacing the obligation to produce a full Statement of Accounts.
	Table 1 below provides a comparison of the 2019/20 outturn with the budget. This highlights a gross expenditure outturn of £142,485, a decrease of £101,175 compared to the original 19/20 gross expenditure budget of £243,660. After including the Partner Contribution rebate of £50,000 (£10,000 per partner) the net underspend for 2019/20 is £51,175.
	<u>Table 1: 2019/20 Summary</u> <u>Monitoring Position</u>

	2019/20 Budget £	2019/202 0 Outturn £	2019/ 0 Varia ce £
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Project Team Supplies & Services	182,178 23,470	153,433 11,030	-28,74 -12,44
Committee & Support Services	8,760	8,165	-59
External Advisors	50,120	0	-50,12
Contingency	20,000	0	-20,00
Organics Contribution	-40,868	-30,143	10,72
Gross Expenditure	243,660	142,485	101,
Partner Contributions	-185,000	-135,000	50,00
Net Expenditure	58,660	7,485	-51,17
Appropriations (from) / to Joint Committee Reserve A/c	-58,660	-7,485	51,17
Projected Balance of the Joint Committee Reserve A/c as at 31.03.2020		323,863	



No	Item Action	
	The variance is largely due to underspends previously reported to the Joi Committee in the Month 7 monitoring report in particular underspends due the lack of spend against the contingency and external advisors budgets, a well as savings associated with staff turnover and recruitment dela Consequentially the projected budgeted drawdown from the Joint Committee Reserve Account of £58,660 was reduced to £7,485. The balance of the reserve account as at 31st March 2020 now stands at £323,863 and the options for the utilisation of an element of this reserve will be presented first to Contract Management Board and then the Joint Committee as part of the 2021/22 budget report as has been the case in previous years. The project team reported an underspend of £28,745, with the variance reflecting recruitment delays highlighted above with a number of Agency standing been recruited on a temporary basis to partly cover the Project Administrator post during this financial year. This post has now been filled are the Project Team had a full complement of staff heading into 2020/21. The other significant variances identified in Table 1 are the External Advisor and Contingency provisions with the underspends reflecting that there has been no requirement to use these budgets in the 2019/20 financial year.	
	RESOLVED:	
	I. To note the outturn position for the financial year ended 31st March 2020.	
	II. To approve the Annual Return, and consequently authorise the Chairman to sign the Annual Return on behalf of the Joint Committee, and its subsequent submission to WAO to commence the 2019/20 audit.	
22	Date of next meeting - TBC	

