

**GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**SOUTH TYNE AND WEAR WASTE MANAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP JOINT**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Friday, 10 December 2021**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Linda Green (Gateshead Council) (Chair)

Gateshead Council Councillor Angela Douglas

South Tyneside Council Absent

Sunderland Council Councillor Claire Rowntree (Vice Chair)

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Gateshead Council Colin Huntington, Marc Morley, Helen Conway

South Tyneside Council John Tindle

Sunderland Council Anthony Alder

South Tyne and Wear Management Partnership Gary Smith, Fiona Swinburne, Anna Harrison

**123 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2021 were agreed as a correct record.

**124 CONTRACTS UPDATE**

The JEC received a report advising them of the latest position regarding the Residual Waste Treatment Contract and other ancillary waste joint contracts and activities managed by the South of Tyne and Wear Management Partnership (STWWMP).

Section 2 of the report provided background information and an update on the procurement contracts across the partnership. The Joint Partnership team continues to undertake several waste management functions on behalf of the partner authorities, including reviewing and verifying monthly contract reports, which detail materials processed and service issues. Once approved, invoices are processed and, where appropriate, apportioned between partner authorities within contractual timescales.

This is enabling, amongst other things, a proactive and timely approach to management of the RWTC which is operated under strict timescales. Similar benefits are also afforded to the procurement and management of other ancillary contracts, such as MRF, HWRC, and green waste composting.

Section 3 of the report outlined to the JEC the residual waste treatment contract (RWTC), the joint insurance cost review (JICR) and 2020/21 & 2021/22 Insurance Premiums.

Paragraphs 3.11 – 3.18 updated the JEC on the works to repair Campground WTS following on from the fire which occurred on 28 February 2021. It should be noted that all works have now been completed and Campground WTS remained fully operational and continued to accept all partner authority waste while the works were taking place.

Both Middlefields and Jack Crawford House WTS also remained fully operational during this period.

The JEC were advised that recycling outputs from all sites include segregated street sweepings, wood, and scrap metals. Routine maintenance of buildings, plant and control systems have also been undertaken as scheduled, across all sites, during this period.

Paragraphs 3.22 – 3.25 updated the JEC on the work underway with communications colleagues to support the prevention of any further fires within STWWMP facilities and/or vehicles.

Tables A and B at the appendix highlights the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) Contracts and highlighted the impact of the pandemic on residual waste levels.

Table A at Appendix C highlights the latest HWRC recycling performance for 2021/22 (Quarter 1 and 2)

The JEC also received an update on the introduction of new advance booking systems at Gateshead sites.

The JEC received an update on the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Contract and the Kerbside WEEE project continues to be delivered in partnership areas and the WEEE behavioural change officer is looking at progressing some roadshows in public areas.

RESOLVED – That the information be noted

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### **WASTE SECTOR NEWS UPDATE**

The JEC received a presentation outlining details of an update on the Environment Bill, and the potential implications to the partner authorities.

RESOLVED – That the information be noted

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**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

To be advised