



Dorset Waste Partnership Joint Committee

Date of Meeting	23 March 2017
Officer	Gemma Clinton, Head of Service (Strategy), Dorset Waste Partnership
Subject of Report	Revised Dorset Waste Strategy
Executive Summary	<p>This report provides an update to the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Dorset 2008 – 2033.</p> <p>The strategy has been reviewed to take account of the progress made since 2008, changes in legislation and the future vision of waste management in Dorset.</p> <p>It also provides a framework for future decisions regarding infrastructure, treatment options and transport networks.</p>
Impact Assessment:	<p>Equalities Impact Assessment: An EQIA was prepared when the original Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy was produced in 2008. The issues identified and the relevant mitigating actions still apply.</p>
	<p>Use of Evidence: Officer workshop on 8th November 2016 Member workshop on 16th January 2017 EU and national legislation</p>
	<p>Budget: N/A</p>

	<p>Risk Assessment:</p> <p>Having considered the risks associated with this decision using the County Council’s approved risk management methodology, the level of risk has been identified as: Current Risk: LOW Residual Risk LOW</p> <p>Other Implications: None</p>
<p>Recommendations</p>	<p>That the Joint Committee approves the review of the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Dorset 2008 – 2033.</p>
<p>Reason for Recommendations</p>	<p>To ensure that the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Dorset continues to set out the strategic direction and vision for municipal waste management for the period up to 2033.</p> <p>To ensure that the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Dorset remains a valid, high level document which can provide a framework for future decisions regarding waste management in Dorset.</p>
<p>Appendices</p>	<p>Appendix 1 – Draft Waste Strategy Review 2017 Appendix 2 – New revised policy objectives Appendix 3 – Results of the presentation to Joint Committee on 16 January 2017</p>
<p>Background Papers</p>	<p>Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Dorset 2008 - 2033 DWP Business Plan 2017/18 Equalities Impact Assessment for the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Dorset 2008 – 2033.</p>
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The document at Appendix 1 provides an update to the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Dorset 2008 – 2033. It includes background information, achievements to date, updates in EU and national legislation, future challenges and 9 revised policy objectives. It also outlines any new areas of work and policy. The document, once approved, will be published as an addendum to the current strategy, and will be in the same format, layout and style.
- 1.2 The strategy review has been produced following a staff workshop with key managers and staff from all areas of the Dorset Waste Partnership on 8 November 2016. During this workshop, the content of the review, in particular, the proposed

policy objectives and targets were discussed and debated to ensure full ownership and accountability from all teams of the DWP.

- 1.3 A second workshop/presentation involving members of the Joint Committee and Commissioning Group was held straight after the Joint Committee meeting on 16 January 2017. During this presentation, members were provided with a refresh in terms of the current situation, the challenges ahead, the key aims and the proposed revised policy objectives. Via a voting system, members were asked if they agree with each of the proposed principles. The results of this can be seen in appendix 2.

2. Waste Strategy Review 2017

- 2.1 In the strategy review, the strategic option to manage Dorset's waste remains largely unchanged, and is summarised by the existing DWP vision, along with the five current critical objectives as detailed in the DWP Business Plan 2017/18:

DWP's vision – 'A Dorset wide partnership to provide a quality, efficient and value for money waste service'.

The following critical objectives are listed in no particular order.

- Maintaining customer satisfaction
 - Investigate further options for cashable savings
 - Encourage application of the waste hierarchy
 - Meet our statutory requirements
 - Seek to work in partnership
- 2.2 The current strategy is structured around 10 policy objectives designed to support the implementation and achievement of the strategic option. The strategy review recognises that some of the original policy objectives have been achieved and need to be updated, and that some are also now irrelevant and need to be replaced.
- 2.3 The new, revised policy objectives are based on a combination of national policy drivers, our legal obligations and targets, our recycling experience, best practice and our own aspirations. They have an emphasis on the continued reduction of the amount of total waste that is produced, achieving even higher levels of recycling and composting, recovering more value from residual waste that is not recycled or composted and minimising the amount that is sent to be buried in the ground at landfill sites.
- 2.4 The revised policy objectives will ensure all decisions regarding waste management in Dorset not only take into account the waste hierarchy, but will have an increased focus on cost. The aim will be to achieve value for money for all waste collection, storage, treatment and disposal decisions. A balance will be struck between achieving an increased recycling/composting performance and the costs incurred by pursuing that increase.
- 2.5 Waste Management is recognised as a fast changing area and the strategy will need to be under periodic review and refinement. Actions from this strategy will be achieved and monitored through the production of the annual DWP Business Plan, which is in turn supported by team service plans.

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