

Dorset Waste Partnership Joint Committee

Date of Meeting	12 June 2017	
Officer	Director of the Dorset Waste Partnership	
Subject of Report	Infrastructure Review	
Executive Summary	This report details the current infrastructure used by the Dorset Waste Partnership, the ongoing anticipated costs and risks of using third party sites.	
Impact Assessment:	Equalities Impact Assessment: An assessment of the HRC service was carried out in 2006 and reproduced for the Joint Committee 25 September 2014 report Review of Household Recycling Centres. The provision of a split level HRC to replace a site where steps are required to access waste containers complies with the action plan of this EQIA. Use of Evidence: Internal meetings, liaison with neighbouring local authorities and waste contractors.	
	Budget: The Medium Term Financial plan for budgeted spend in infrastructure has been previously established. Any additional	

	budget required or further projects not yet budgeted will be presented in future reports.	
	Risk Assessment:	
	Having considered the risks associated with this decision using the County Council's approved risk management methodology, the level of risk of relying on access to infrastructure outside Dorset has been identified as: Current Risk: HIGH Residual Risk HIGH	
	Other Implications: None	
Recommendation	It is recommended that Joint Committee notes the findings of the Strategic Outline Programme and actions contained therein.	
Reason for Recommendation	The partner authorities of the DWP have a statutory duty to collect / dispose of waste and provide sites where residents may deposit their household wastes. The infrastructure to support these services needs to be fit for purpose.	
Appendices	Appendix A – Strategic Outline Programme, Dorset Waste Partnership Infrastructure	
Background Papers	Joint Committee 23 March 2017 – Revised Dorset Waste Strategy	
	Joint Committee 13 June 2016 – Strategic Waste Transfer Facility for Central Dorset	
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1. Background

- 1.1 The Dorset Waste Partnership was formed in 2011 and inherited infrastructure from each partner from which waste services are provided to the residents and businesses of Dorset. In addition, there is infrastructure provided under contract for the transfer and disposal of waste and Household Recycling Centres in other Authority areas used by Dorset residents.
- 1.2 A Strategic Outline Programme (SOP) has been developed as the first strategic analysis of the combined infrastructure used for the management of waste since the formation of the DWP. The SOP will be used as the basis of further business cases for specific projects.

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1.3 It is important that infrastructure is considered on a wide geographical basis, including joint use with Bournemouth and Poole, to make the best use of limited public funds. It is recognised that Local Government Review (LGR) may impact on administrative boundaries and control of assets. In addition, LGR may offer opportunities to integrate assets with other local authority service areas. There may be a need to review the SOP when the outcome of LGR is understood.

2. Identified Actions

2.1 The SOP contains a number of actions. These are shown, in the order of the structure of the report and not in priority, in the table below.

Action	Reason
Align future growth of garden and commercial waste with depot requirements and agree appropriate funding levy for any required development	To accommodate future growth and ensure total costs of these services are covered
Consider joint use of depots, workshops and transfer facilities with other local authority services	To make best use of limited local authority sites, premises and resources
Further develop proposals to improve waste transfer reliability at Crookhill	To improve reliability of waste transfer to maintain frontline services
Continue with proposals to develop new waste management facility in Central Dorset	To provide transfer capacity, operational efficiency and resilience in this area of Dorset
5. Progress with soft market testing for residual waste contracts while building on contingencies with current contractors	To ensure resilience of waste collection service
6. Consideration should be given for a waste transfer facility to serve the East of the County; should this be necessary to include discussion with neighbouring authorities for possible shared facilities	To provide transfer capacity and resilience in this area of Dorset
7. Ensure that any new HRC built incorporates a split-level approach	To separate public from plant and ensures HRC to remain available when containers are being serviced
8. Secure agreements with neighbouring authorities for access to HRCs by Dorset residents	To maintain access for Dorset residents
9. Consideration should be given for a replacement to Wimborne HRC, possibly as a development alongside a waste transfer station in this area should this be necessary	To replace this site which is inadequate for current usage and would be unable to cope with any increase in usage
10. Continue discussion with Wessex Water regarding the relocation of the HRC for the Dorchester area	To ensure provision of the HRC service in this area of Dorset
11. Continue to pursue funding for waste infrastructure from developer contributions	To unlock funding where development is taking place