
Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

19th April, 2006

Report of
Councillor Lee

Title
Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies – Coventry and Solihull Waste Disposal Company -
Advisory Forum

1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 At their meeting on 10th May, 2005, the Cabinet approved a process of reporting back to the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee on the work of those outside bodies appointed to by the City Council. This reports sets out details of the work of Coventry and Solihull Waste Disposal Company - Advisory Forum over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The Advisory Forum is convened by Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council as part of the shareholders agreement for Coventry and Solihull Waste Disposal Company. The remit of the Forum is to provide support, guidance and make decisions on further waste policy/strategy for Coventry and Solihull authorities. In addition to this, the Forum can be used as a vehicle to hear contractual disputes between all three parties – Coventry City Council, Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council or Coventry and Solihull Waste Disposal Company.
- 2.2 Historically, there has been no need for the Forum to meet and Solihull as the client authority have therefore not convened one. 2005/06 has seen one meeting of the Forum where terms of reference and progress towards a future joint waste strategy were discussed.
- 2.3 The Forum consists of four Elected Members and the relevant officers from each authority. More recently, the Cabinet Member for each authority has attended as an observer. This helps reduce duplication when briefing.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

- 3.1 The current attendees are myself, Cllrs Mrs. Noonan, Harrison and Auluck.
- 3.2 The current meeting schedule for councillors is as required, but with no regular schedule; a meeting is scheduled for May 2006.

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

- 4.1 To ensure the major asset, the waste reduction facility, is run and maintained in a beneficial way.
- 4.2 To ensure that the authorities joint asset and business interests are conducted in the most beneficial way for the authorities.
- 4.3 Ensuring that there is Member involvement in developing the joint waste strategy between the authorities.

5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

- 5.1 There has been one meeting of the Advisory Forum this municipal year which was attended by Councillors Lee, H Noonan and Auluck.
- 5.2 There is no remuneration associated with this appointment.

List of background papers

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