



**Report to:** South London Waste Partnership (SLWP)  
Joint Waste Committee

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**Report of:** SLWP Management Group

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**Chair of the Meeting:**

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**Report title:**

## **PHASE A Contract management Report**

**Summary:**

This report provides Joint Waste Committee with an interim update on the performance of the three Phase A Contracts applicable to the South London Waste Partnership:

- i. Contract 1 - Transport and Residual waste management
- ii. HRRC services - Managed by Royal Borough of Kingston (RBK)
- iii. Contract 3 - Marketing of recyclates and treatment of green and food waste

Previous reports cover a full quarter reporting period, as an interim, this provides a report on January and February performance.

**Recommendations:**

Joint Waste Committee is asked to note the contents of this report, and comment on any aspects of the performance of the Partnership's Phase A contracts.

**Background Documents:**

Contract Performance Monitoring updates have been presented to the Joint Waste Committee since 22 July 2010. The most recent reports were presented at the meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2015 by the Contract Manager.

## **1. BACKGROUND**

- 1.1. Contract 1 is operated by Viridor Waste Management Ltd and includes the haulage of all materials requiring transfer and the management of residual waste.
- 1.2. The Partnership's HRRC site service is currently managed by the Royal Borough of Kingston, pending re-procurement of the service.
- 1.3. Contract 3 is operated by Viridor and includes the marketing of recyclates and the treatment of green and food waste.

## **2. PERFORMANCE DETAIL**

### **2.1. Contract 1: Transport and Residual waste management (Viridor Waste Management Limited)**

- 2.1.1. Under Contract 1, during the reporting period January and February 2015, the Partnership managed in excess of 36,500 tonnes of residual waste. Please see Appendix A section 1 for further detail.
- 2.1.2. Viridor continue to divert a proportion of the Contract 1 residual waste to their Lakeside energy recovery facility (ERF) at the Partnership's request. Partnership waste is thermally treated at the same rate as the residual waste landfill Gatefee. Viridor have direction on which Borough waste is diverted.
- 2.1.3. During this reporting period over 9,000 tonnes of SLWP residual waste was diverted from landfill via the Lakeside ERF. Year to date 18% of our residual waste has been diverted. Please see Appendix A section 3 for further tonnage data.
- 2.1.4. Residual waste diversion from landfill has increased with each period reported and we continue to work with Viridor to improve this rate further.
- 2.1.5. The Contract is operating effectively. There were no major operational or performance issues and no formal complaints reported under Contract 1.

### **2.2. Contract 2: Management of the Household Reuse and Recycling Centres (Royal Borough of Kingston)**

- 2.2.1. Contract management - The Royal Borough of Kingston continues to manage the HRRC services across the four boroughs on behalf of the Partnership.
- 2.2.2. Recycling performance – The HRRC service is operating well. Individually the performance at each site is broadly comparable to January and February of 2014, with a slight drop at the London Borough of Merton Garth Road facility. This will be investigated and improvement measures put in place.

- 2.2.3. Collectively the HRRC sites are also performing well. For this reporting period (January and February 2015) the service delivered a 69% recycling rate across the Partnership, and year to date the sites have achieved an average recycling rate of 71%. (Appendix A section 4 includes a performance breakdown by site, and section 5 shows the collective performance rates for all six sites).
- 2.2.4. HRRC Work streams -The HRRC off-take work stream is ongoing. This work stream focuses on the material off-takers servicing the HRRC sites and aims to review the quality of service being provided, assess value for money, and ensure continuity of services.
- 2.2.5. To date the off-take agreements for two major materials - textiles and ferrous metals – have been successfully formalised and a third major contract with our waste electrical recycler DHL is close to completion. Work to establish formal contractual positions with other current off-takers is ongoing although this process is becoming increasingly difficult due to the relatively short period between now and the new HRRC contractor starting on the 1<sup>st</sup> October.

### **2.3. Contract 3 – Materials Recycling Services, composting, and Additional treatment Services (Viridor Waste Management Limited)**

- 2.3.1. Green waste is delivered to the Viridor Beddington facility where it is treated to produce a BSI PAS100 compost product. Some of the green waste material is also transferred from Beddington to alternative processing sites such as Viridor Foxhill and third party facilities. There are no issues to report on this element of the service. Detailed green waste tonnage data can be found in Appendix A section 6.
- 2.3.2. Food waste is delivered to either the Beddington facility or the Villiers Road transfer station facility. From both sites the food is transferred by Viridor to the Agrivert Trump Farm Anaerobic Digestion facility (AD) located in Surrey. The Agrivert facility produces a BSI PAS 110 compost product. There are no performance issues with this element of the contract 3 service. Appendix A section 7 contains further food waste information.
- 2.3.3. Comingled recyclates are delivered to the Viridor Beddington facility and then transferred to the Viridor Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) located in Crayford. Of the material collected in January 92% was recycled. The February analysis was not yet available at the point of producing this report.
- 2.3.4. January saw the highest comingled tonnage collected year to date, and whilst February shows a considerable drop in tonnes this is comparable to the

same period in 2014 and so can be attributed to seasonal variation. Please see Appendix A sections 8 and 9 for further comingled recycle data.

2.3.5. The Source segregated recyclates, also termed as Kerside-sorted recyclable materials, collected by the Royal Borough of Kingston are delivered to the Villiers Road TS and then transferred either directly to re-processors, to the Viridor MRF at Crayford, the paper MRF in Erith, or the newly developed polymer processing facility. February saw a drop in tonnes but again this is comparable to the same period in 2014 so can be attributed to seasonal factors.

### **3. RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1. It is recommended that the Joint Waste Committee:

- a) Note the contents of this report, and comment on any aspects of the performance of the Partnership's Phase A contracts.

### **4. IMPACTS AND IMPLICATIONS**

#### Legal

4.1. Legal Shared services are assisting on the HRRC off-take work stream.

#### Finance

4.2. None

### **5. Appendices**

5.1. Appendix A provides data on the performance of the Phase A contracts for the reporting period January and February 2015.