

The **WARWICKSHIRE WASTE PARTNERSHIP** met at the Shire Hall, Warwick on **4 December 2006**.

Present:

North Warwickshire Borough Council

Councillor Peter Fowler

Officers

Bernard Woodhall

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council

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Officers

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Rugby Borough Council

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Officers

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Stratford-on-Avon District Council

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Officer

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Warwick District Council

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Officer

Jackie Webb

Warwickshire County Council

Councillor Ken Browne

Councillor Jose Compton

Councillor Eithne Goode

Councillor Martin Heatley (Chair)

Councillor Ray Sweet

Officers

Roy Burton

Glenn Fleet

Jean Hardwick

Jo Ingle
Ian Marriott
Martin Stott
Kalen Wood

Also Present : Keith Kondakor, Nuneaton and District Friends of the Earth

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Geoff. Ashford (Nuneaton and Bedworth District Council), Margaret Begg (Vice Chair)(Warwick District Council), Simon Jackson (Stratford District Council) and Carolyn Robbins (Rugby Borough Council).

2. Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

None.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2006

(a) Minutes

Resolved:-

That the minutes of the Partnership meeting held on 3 October 2006, copies having been circulated, be approved and be signed by the Chair.

(b) Matters Arising

Warwickshire Waste Partnership Conference – 3 November 2006

Members commented on the success of the Warwickshire Waste Partnership Conference, which they considered had been very useful and commended the officers on their work in arranging the Conference.

4. Waste Minimisation and Achieving Landfill Directive Targets – A Friends of the Earth Perspective.

Keith Kondakor addressed the Partnership on “Meeting Landfill Allowance and Trading Scheme (LATS) in Warwickshire without building another giant incinerator”. (Presentation material and slide notes attached).

The Chair thanked Keith Kondakor for his presentation.

5. Refurbishment of Hunters Lane Recycling Centre, Rugby

Jo Ingle presented the report on the refurbishment of Hunters Lane Household Waste Recycling Centre and Waste Transfer Station and invited comments.

In reply to a question from the Chair Jo Ingle said that she was preparing a report to the Rugby Area Committee's January 2006 meeting about the temporary arrangements that would be implemented when the Centre was closed.

The Partnership supported the proposals for the refurbishment of the Hunters Lane Household Recycling Centre and Waste Transfer Station in Rugby.

6. Countywide Home Composting Scheme

Glenn Fleet presented the report, updating Members of the countywide reduced price compost bin scheme, and provided information on a new scheme that provided training of volunteers to support home composting schemes.

Glenn Fleet added that the WRAP scheme, which enabled residents to purchase home composters at competitive rates, would shortly be increasing the costs of the composters due to expansion of the scheme to a large number of other authorities. He suggested, therefore, that a further press statement should be released to promote the scheme before the price was increased. Members suggested that a supply of composters should be purchased by the County Council to take advantage of the competitive rate.

The Partnership agreed that –

- (1) a press statement be issued advertising the home composting scheme.
- (2) consideration be given to the feasibility of the County Council bulk purchasing home composters at the current competitive price for selling on to Warwickshire residents.

7. Greenhouse Gas Reduction through Recycling Schemes – Glenn Fleet.

The Partnership noted the report that had been prepared following a question asked at the 2006 Waste Partnership Conference relating to carbon emissions generated from the disposal of nappies to landfill.

8. Visit – Jayplas, Loughborough: Plastic sorting and recycling - Friday 8 December 2006 depart Shire Hall 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. return (approx).

The Partnership –

(1) noted the proposed visit to Jayplas, Loughborough, plastics sorting and recycling centre.

(2) asked that details of the price of plastics for recycling be circulated to Members.

9. Any other business.

(a) Grendon Household Waste Recycling Centre

Councillor Ray Sweet reported on the public meeting held 24 November 2006 to discuss the proposal to extend the Centre. He wished to record the lack of public support expressed at the meeting to extend the site. He referred to the current problems experienced at the site, which included, long traffic queues and the consequent road traffic problems caused by the length of the queues.

Councillor Peter Fowler supported this view and said he considered that the Centre was positioned in the wrong place and he asked officers to consult further on this issue.

In response Roy Burton said that the public meeting was a pre-consultation meeting and that alternative sites would be investigated. He added, however, that not all residents were against the current site. The Chair asked that all possible alternative sites should be forwarded to officers for evaluation.

(b) Award: 2nd Place - Highly Commended :The Onley Project

Glenn Fleet reported that the Good Again, Onley Prison Project had been nominated, along with four other projects, for the Best Partnership Project for Recycling, National Recycling Award and had been awarded second place and "Highly Commended".

10. Future Meeting dates (2:00 p.m. Shire Hall) –

Future meeting dates were agreed as follows-

- Tuesday 27 February 2007
- Tuesday 12 June 2007
- Tuesday 25 September 2007
- Tuesday 27 November 2007

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Chair of Partnership

The meeting closed at 11:10 a.m.