

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
25 March 2009

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Minute of Meeting of the Environment Committee held in the Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, Council Building, 2 High Street, Perth on Wednesday 25 March 2009 at 10.00am.

Present: Councillors A Grant, L Caddell, I Campbell, A Cowan, R Ellis, C Gillies, J Law, M Lyle, H McDonald, L Simpson and A Younger.

In Attendance: J Falconer, D Goodenough, G Dailly, M Lorimer, K McNamara, D Paterson, B Reekie, S Simpson, J Valentine and T Young (all The Environment Service); P Frazer and A Wilson (Chief Executive's Service).

Apologies for Absence: Councillors K Lyall and D Scott.

Councillor A Grant, Convener, Presiding.

157. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

158. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minute of Meeting of the Environment Committee of 28 January 2009 (Arts. 26-35) was submitted, approved as a correct record and authorised for signature.

159. KERBSIDE RECYCLING FOR RURAL PROPERTIES

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/164), recommending a new approach to the delivery of recycling services in rural areas, through the implementation of a dry mixed recycle collection at the kerbside, instead of the previously approved Roaming Recycling Units.

Resolved:

The introduction of kerbside dry mixed recycle collections in rural communities be approved.

160. EXTENSION TO THE WASTE DISPOSAL CONTRACT FOR RECYCLING AND COMPOSTING ACTIVITIES

There was submitted a report by the Depute Director (Environment) (09/165) outlining the requirement to extend the recycling and composting processing elements of the existing Waste Disposal Contract, for a period of up to 12 months, as a precursor to delivering new long-term Waste Contracts.

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Resolved:

The extension of the recycling and composting elements of the existing waste disposal contract be approved up to 31 March 2010, with a two month period of notice of termination.

161. PERTH AND KINROSS WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND RESIDUAL WASTE TREATMENT UPDATE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Environment) (09/166), (1) highlighting progress in delivering waste management services following the introduction of the Perth and Kinross Waste Implementation Plan; (2) detailing the challenges for the future; and (3) recommending the production of a new Waste Management Plan for Perth and Kinross in order to deliver future recycling/composting initiatives, and meet the Council's requirements for residual waste treatment.

Resolved:

- (i) The development of a new Perth and Kinross Council Waste Management Plan for the period 2011/2012 to 2025/2026 be agreed.
- (ii) Not to proceed with the previously approved approach to residual waste treatment, as stated in the 2005 Strategic Outline Case to the (then) Scottish Executive, pending the outcome of (i) above.
- (ii) Future decisions be based on procurement of residual waste treatment on the outcome of the Council's new Waste Management Plan, and clarification from UK, and Scottish, Government, on the Landfill Allowance Scheme, Landfill Tax and future waste strategy funding be agreed.

At the conclusion of business, the Convener introduced to the Committee members of the Waste Services Team who had been observing the Committee's deliberations from the gallery.

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