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SUBJECT:	DERBYSHIRE AND DERBY JOINT MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: EDS07

1. Recommendations

- 1.1 That Members approve the adoption of the Derbyshire and Derby Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy and South Derbyshire District Council's Waste Action Plan.
- 1.2 That Members note and welcome the proposed endorsement of the Strategy and respective waste action plans by the county, city and district/borough councils of Derbyshire.

2. Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To provide members with an explanation of the review of the Derby and Derbyshire Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy 2006 and the South Derbyshire District Council Action Plan contained within the Strategy and to provide a final copy of the strategy documents.
- 2.2 Following the review process a revised draft strategy, draft individual council waste action plan detailing plans for the next five years and Strategic Environment Assessment draft environment report were approved by the Environmental and Development Services Committee on the 10th April 2014.
- 2.3 The Councils have undertaken a public consultation to help find out what people think of the revised draft strategy, draft individual council waste action plans detailing plans for the next five years and Strategic Environment Assessment draft environment report.

2.4 The key document for consideration is the South Derbyshire Action plan, due to previous investment in recycling and composting we have out performed most of the other Derbyshire authorities and have already put in place the services which should see us exceed our statutory target of 50% and meet the strategies long term targets and 55% waste recycled/composted.

3. Detail

- 3.1 The Derbyshire Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy (DJMWMS) 'Looking after Derbyshire's Waste' was originally developed and adopted in 2006 by Derbyshire County Council, Derby City Council and all eight District and Borough Councils in Derbyshire. The DJMWMS is a partnership document and provides a framework for the development and delivery of waste management services in Derbyshire and Derby City over the period 2006-2026. The DJMWMS is subject to a five yearly review to ensure the priorities are in line with policy and legislation. In accordance with this programme a review was scheduled for 2011.
- 3.2 The review has focused on waste prevention, recycling and composting rather than on treatment and disposal of waste that cannot be recycled and composted which forms a part of the current waste management contract with Resource Recovery Solutions (Derbyshire) Ltd.
- 3.3 The review included the following key elements:
- 3.3.1 Production of a Baseline Report and Waste Forecasting - A report was written to provide a baseline position of the waste management service in Derbyshire and to provide forward projections of Derbyshire and Derby City waste tonnages to inform the review and appraisal of delivery mechanisms (options).
 - 3.3.2 Setting of Strategic Vision and Objectives - An overarching draft vision, strategic objectives, and a recycling and composting target for the Strategy detailed in Appendix 1 were defined through a number of separately held workshops attended by officers, members and stakeholders. The stakeholder group was attended by representatives from waste contractors, local environmental groups and statutory bodies.
 - 3.3.3 Development of Options - A long list of delivery options to deliver the strategic objectives was developed taking into account the views of officers, members and stakeholders. The development of options was informed by a review of existing plans, programmes and environmental objectives which the councils have.
 - 3.3.4 Appraisal of Options - Following the development of the long list of options an officer workshop was held to distil the long list into a proposed shortlist (see Appendix 2). Each option was evaluated in terms of deliverability and how well it met the strategic objectives. The shortlist of options was agreed with members and stakeholders through separate workshops. A detailed options appraisal was then completed on the 26 shortlisted options including life cycle analysis, waste flow modelling and cost modelling to allow the options to be compared.

- 3.4 Following completion of the above stages a draft headline Strategy ‘Dealing with Derbyshire’s Waste’ was developed. The Strategy sets out the approach to managing waste sustainably for the communities of Derbyshire and Derby City and the priorities for action to help achieve the vision and objectives of the Strategy over the next five years.
- 3.5 The Strategy provides a framework for how we will work to reduce the amount of waste produced; to reuse, recycle and compost as much material as possible, and to find the most sustainable solutions to deal with any waste produced. Individual council waste action plans support the Strategy and detail the specific services and activities (options) planned by each council over the next five years.
- 3.6 A Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) was completed alongside the review of the Strategy and was subject to examination as part of the public consultation. The SEA is designed to appraise the impacts of the proposed strategy on the environment, help identify where the impacts are and how any negative impacts can be reduced and positive impacts increased. The SEA identified that the Strategy through seeking to improve resource management and move waste management practices up the waste hierarchy represents good practice. A number of points were noted to help increase the positive impacts of the Strategy and to mitigate any potential negative impacts. Nine criteria for monitoring environmental impact, e.g. landfill diversion, recycle destinations were also suggested. The points and criteria will be considered and monitored accordingly.
- 3.7 A public consultation commenced on the 15 November 2013 to 14 February 2014. A questionnaire was published online through Derbyshire County Council and Derby City Council’s consultation portals along with hard copies of the questionnaire given out at 32 exhibitions held in libraries and leisure centres across the County. The consultation was promoted further through council websites, press releases and postings on social media. A wide range of stakeholders and interest groups were also contacted via email or letter.
- 3.8 A total of 1,636 questionnaires were completed and five letters received from stakeholders/interest groups. A summary of the public consultation findings are detailed in Appendix 3. The comments and responses have been reviewed and analysed and the Strategy documents modified where necessary.
- 3.9 The final Strategy documents and action plans have been approved by officers of the Derbyshire Waste Partnership. A full copy of the Strategy and associated documents can be made available on request. All nine partner authorities will be seeking adoption by their respective Cabinets and Committees during autumn 2014.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications. However, reductions in the amounts of waste generated and disposed of will reduce the overall cost to Derbyshire Council Tax payers. Future Waste Strategy commitments could have financial implications and these would be subject to a separate report.

5. Corporate Implications

- 5.1 The Council’s Corporate Plan 2013/14 committed us to ‘Develop the opportunities for increasing the range of materials recycled through the re-tendering exercise.’ This is measured through the Proportion of Household waste recycled and composted. The

actions within our strategy action plan continue the emphasis on delivering increased recycling and reducing waste generated in line with the proposals for the new Corporate Plan.

6. Community Implications

- 6.1 SDDC will continue to engage with the community to promote waste reduction and waste recycling. Our main focus on service delivery has already been implemented.
- 6.2 The review of our services in 2015 could have implications in the long term and as such would undergo further consultation prior to changes in our current service policies.