
KENT RESOURCE PARTNERSHIP: MEMBERS BOARD
2pm on Thursday 16 November 2017
Committee Room, Tonbridge & Malling BC, West Malling, Kent ME19 4LZ

In attendance – Members

Cllr Rory Love	Shepway District Council
Cllr Neil Baker	Canterbury City Council
Cllr Nick Kenton	Dover District Council
Cllr Michael Payne	Kent County Council
Cllr John Barned	Maidstone Borough Council
Cllr Matthew Dickins	Sevenoaks District Council
Cllr Stuart Peall	Shepway District Council
Cllr Lin Fairbrass	Thanet District Council
Cllr Jill Anderson	Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council
Cllr Ronen Basu	Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

In attendance – Officers

Tracey Butler	Ashford Borough Council
Sarah Randall	Canterbury City Council
Dave Thomas	Dartford Borough Council
Roger Walton	Dover & Shepway District Councils
David Beaver	Kent County Council
Nichola Hood	Kent County Council
Paldeep Bhatti	Kent Resource Partnership
Kate McCall	Kent Resource Partnership
Jennifer Shepherd	Maidstone Borough Council
Ian Finch	Sevenoaks District Council
Martyn Cassell	Swale Borough Council
Kelly Upson	Swale Borough Council
Trevor Kennett	Thanet District Council
Gary Stevenson	Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

1	Apologies for Absence
	<p>Apologies for absence for Councillors were received from Cllr Clair Bell and Cllr Geraldine Dyer (Ashford BC); Cllr Joe Howes (Canterbury CC); Cllr Arron Bardoe (Dartford BC); Cllr Alan Ridgers (Gravesham BC); Cllr Matthew Balfour (Kent CC); Cllr Sue Gent and Cllr David Simmons (Swale BC); and Cllr David Lettington (Tonbridge & Malling BC).</p> <p>Apologies for absence for Officers were received from David Ford (Canterbury CC, represented by Sarah Randall); Nick Brown & Stuart Alford (Gravesham BC); Richard Wilson (Sevenoaks DC, represented by Ian Finch);</p>

2	Minutes of Meeting held on 06 July 2017
	Accuracy of the minutes agreed.
3	East Kent Waste 2021
	<p>Roger Walton (Dover & Shepway DC) introduced and explained the details behind the report which was shared with Members and Officers prior to the meeting. The report looked to outline the reasons behind why KRP Members should consider to agree to provide financial support for the consultancy work that is required for the East Kent Project. Discussions took place and it was decided not to take a vote at this stage, however, it was agreed too:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrange an earlier meeting for the Officers Advisory Group, before Christmas would be preferable. Officers can then report back to Members for them to make an informed decision at the next meeting, 21 February 2018. OAG colleagues would also discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The future Sustainability of this type of funding support from the KRP budget; ○ The potential to create a 'Service Innovation Reserve'; and ○ Suggest the minimum amount the general reserve should be. <p>Therefore, formal support of commitment to discuss the matter further was agreed and the brief of the consultancy work shared so all authorities could see the potential benefits of funding this project.</p>
4	Partnership Business Plan (PBP) & Partnership Risk Plan (PRP) 2017/18
	<p>Members received progress updates on each of the respective activities outlined within the PBP for 2017/18, led by Paldeep (KRP). Members and colleagues took this opportunity to raise queries or comment on the new proposed activities which will run over the coming year.</p> <p>Members agreed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The summary & evaluation report on the food campaign delivered at the start of the year, for KRP staff, along with the KRP Resident Communications Project Group, to maximise key themes/findings from the report and share to the resource industry and Kent residents (via local media) respectively; • For the KRP to continue to work closely with Pledge4Plastics on the principle of working towards and delivering a plastics communications campaign in Kent, based upon a match funded basis; and • The revised timescales for the refresh of the KJMWMS. (As per recommendation put forward by Members/Officers in attendance at the KJMWMS Refresh Workshop on Wednesday 27 September 2017).
5	National Litter Strategy for England
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing Litter: Penalties for Environmental Offences <p>Paldeep (KRP) provided an update on the National Litter Strategy consultation that was completed by KRP colleagues over the summer 2017. Defra announced from April 2018 local authorities will be able to issue maximum litter fines of £150 (compared to current limit of £80) in order to deter and punish the anti-social minority who continue to drop litter. In the future, local authorities will also be able to issue fines to the owners of vehicles from which litter is thrown even if it was discarded by someone else.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for Evidence: Drinks Containers – Reducing Litter & Increasing Recycling <p>The KRP's draft response was shared with KRP colleagues prior to the meeting and Members and Officers were asked for any feedback or comments. It was discussed that it is important to weave in a stronger Streetscene message for the potential of a DSR system to reduce litter. Members and Officers were asked to provide any final feedback to the KRP Manager by the deadline set by Defra, Monday 20 November.</p>
6	Partnership Budget 2017/18
	Members noted the Partnership Budget for 2017/18, and it was concluded that a minimum general reserve amount should be decided going forward.
7	Partnership Performance
	<p>Paldeep (KRP) summarised the following from the latest Partnership Performance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A County Wide Residual Household Waste per Household performance of 567.00kg/h'hold. (A decrease of 17.5kg with 2015/16 performance recorded at 584.50kg/h'hold); • A County Wide Recycling & Composting performance of 46.3%. (An increase of 2.2 percentage points with 2015/16 performance recorded at 44.1%); and • A County Wide Landfill performance of 2.8%. (A decrease of 3.7 percentage points with 2015/16 performance recorded at 6.5%).
8	Members/ Officers Site Visit
	Members reflected on their morning site visit to Allington Energy from Waste Plant. It was an overall positive response and Members favoured going again in February to Viridor's MRF in Crayford. Paldeep (KRP) explained that he will send the potential dates for the site visits in February 2018, as the MER can only accommodate 8 visitors at a time. Spaces will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.
9	KRP Schedule of Meetings
	Members noted the schedule of KRP meetings up to 2019.
10	Any other Business
	n/a