

Decisions of the Report to Cabinet Municipal Residual Waste Treatment 17th December 2008

RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the officers report: -

(i) The Final Draft Outline Business Case be approved for submission to WAG Based upon the affordability gap described in this report for a Residual Waste Treatment Solution predicated upon a technology neutral assumption;

(ii) The Approved Outline Business Case to remain subject to three conditions:

1. The Procurement being premised upon a), a publicly owned site being made available to bidders and as such, maintaining discussions with the Welsh Assembly Government is necessary until a public authority contractually committed to securing an option in the Project's control and to note that this did not preclude a private owned site being brought forward by a bidder or b), the Partnership and WAG become satisfied that adequate private sector competition was available;

2. The Welsh Assembly Government providing the Authorities sufficient comfort that they will fund the Project to at least a minimum level of funding over the life of the Project as per the Business Case; and

3. The partner authorities also approving the Business Case with the same conditions applying.

(iii) If the three conditions in recommendation 2 above were not all met by **31 March 2009**, the approval of the OBC automatically lapses and the Council will reconsider matters including alternative options outside of the scope of Project Gwyrdd;

(iv) Director of EER be authorised to extend the existing Memorandum of Understanding to facilitate further joint working arrangements in the interim period to 31/3/09;

(v) If the conditions in recommendation 2 above were met a further report be submitted to the Cabinet for recommendation to the Council to seek a full decision in respect of this Project including: the final Affordability Envelope, the proposed governance arrangements involving a Joint Committee, a Lead Authority for procurement with the final draft Joint Working Agreement and evaluation criteria for the procurement process;

(vi) A full Stakeholder Consultation strategy be further developed including the launch of the Prosiect Gwyrdd website;

(vii) the previous joint trans-boundary scrutiny arrangements be re-established.