

OXFORDSHIRE WASTE PARTNERSHIP JOINT COMMITTEE**25 MAY 2007****WILD WASTE SHOW FUNDING REQUEST****1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To request further support and funding from Oxfordshire Waste Partnership for the Wild Waste Show.

2 Background

- 2.1 A full report on the achievements and performance against Key Performance Indicators is given in the 'Wild Waste Show Year End Report' which has been provided as an annex to this report.

3 Financial, Risk and Staff Implications

- 3.1 The OWP has part or fully financially funded the Wild Waste Show (WWS) for the past four years. In 2006/7 £123K was provided so that the project could continue and expand.
- 3.2 The WWS Project now covers primary and secondary schools, ensuring that Local Authority recycling and waste reduction officers do not have to focus their attentions in educational establishments.

4 Areas Affected

- 4.1 All Local Authority areas.

5 Effect on Strategic Policies

- 5.1 The following policies of the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy will be supported:
- Policy 3 – The Oxfordshire Waste Partnership will help householders and individuals to reduce and manage their wastes through the provision of advice and appropriate services;
 - Policy 5 – In accordance with regional policy, The Oxfordshire Waste partnership will seek to reduce the growth of municipal waste across the County to 0% per annum by 2012; and
 - Policy 14 – The Oxfordshire Waste Partnership will develop methods of working together to improve the level of service through effective and efficient use of resources within Oxfordshire.

The following approaches of the Strategy's Waste Reduction and Reuse Plan will also be supported:

- Approach 1 – Work with external partners on waste reduction/reuse policies and initiatives;
- Approach 9 – Develop and implement an education plan for schools and

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- communities; and
- Approach 17 – Support the Wild Waste Show and Oxfordshire Schools Sustainability Projects.

6 Options or Alternatives

- 6.1 If the WWS project is not funded by OWP from 2008 - 2010, it is very unlikely that the project would be able to continue. This would effectively result in Local Authority Waste Management Officers having to undertake educational programmes in Oxfordshire's 350+ schools.
- 6.2 There are currently no other funding opportunities available to the WWS.

7 Recommendations

- 7.1 It is recommended that the OWP members note the evidence given in the Annexed WWS report.
- 7.2 OWP members consider supporting and funding the WWS for a further two years at the following levels:
- (a) The OWP supports and provides £126,836 of funding for 2008/9; and
 - (b) The OWP supports and provides £127,641 of funding for 2009/10.

8 Reasons for Recommendations

- 8.1 To promote waste reduction, reuse and recycling initiatives to Oxfordshire communities to help everyone manage their own wastes.
- 8.2 The WWS Project Manager and the Northmoor Trust's Funding Team have investigated other funding sources, but as of yet have not found any that are suitable. Therefore, continued financial support from the OWP is requested.

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Background Papers: Wild Waste Show Year End Report (as an annex to this report)