

## OXFORDSHIRE WASTE PARTNERSHIP JOINT COMMITTEE

30 MARCH 2007

ENCAMS AUDIT OF STREET CLEANSING PRACTICE  
CLEAN AND GREEN**1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To consider the findings of the ENCAMS Audit of Street Cleansing in Oxfordshire.

**2 Background**

- 2.1 There is a potential reward grant of over £1million payable on delivery of the agreed LAA Clean and Green stretch targets. 50 per cent of this grant can be held for further work to deliver the targets of OWP.
- 2.2 The stretch targets are to reduce by 9 per cent the proportion of relevant land and highways assessed as having combined deposits of litter and detritus falling below acceptable standards. From 2004/05 data the Oxfordshire average was 20 per cent. Therefore the Oxfordshire councils collectively wish to achieve a figure of no more than 11 per cent against BVPI 199a by the end of the financial year 2008/09.
- 2.3 ENCAMS were commissioned by the Clean & Green Group to undertake an audit of street cleansing practice across the county, in order to assess performance in relation to BVPI 199a.
- 2.4 Alongside this project, The Marketing Works have undertaken market research into public perceptions of cleanliness in Oxfordshire. A report and presentation on this project will be made at a later date.

**3 Financial, Risk and Staff Implications**

- 3.1 Clean and Green Budget

Amount spent:  
£12,490 to The Marketing Works

Commitments:  
£12,510 for The Marketing Works  
£20,637 for Encams

Balance £24,363

**4 Areas Affected**

- 4.1 This was a countywide project with key recommendations included in the report. Some recommendations are district specific, whilst others are countywide.

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### **5 Effect on Strategic Policies**

- 5.1 Clean and Green Initiatives support policy 14 which states that “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.

### **6 Options or Alternatives**

- 6.1 Members may agree not to pursue any of the recommendations within the ENCAMS Report. However this may impact on our ability to ensure we meet the Clean & Green stretch targets.

### **7 Recommendations**

- 7.1 That the content of the presentation be noted.

### **8 Reasons for Recommendations**

- 8.1 At the last OWP Joint Committee Meeting it was agreed that the OWP would adopt the over-arching governance role for delivery of the Clean and Green stretch targets.

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