

OXFORDSHIRE WASTE PARTNERSHIP JOINT COMMITTEE**30 MARCH 2007****JOINT MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY
– ACTION PLANS & SUMMARY LEAFLET****1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To consider a draft Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy (JMWMS) summary leaflet and to receive the individual council action plans in support of the approved JMWMS.

2 Background

- 2.1 At the last meeting of the Oxfordshire Waste Partnership (OWP), held on 26th Jan 2007, it was agreed that a JMWMS summary leaflet should be produced. A draft version will shortly be circulated for comment. Members are invited to forward any comments to Wayne Lewis by 6th April 2007 (contact details are provided at the end of this report).
- 2.2 It was also agreed at the last meeting of the OWP that individual action plans be produced in a consistent format and that these should then be made available electronically to accompany the JMWMS. These action plans are attached at appendix 1 (together with a list of the JMWMS strategic policies that they support).
- 2.3 The action plans of Oxfordshire County Council, South Oxfordshire, Vale of White Horse and West Oxfordshire District Councils have been approved by their respective authorities. The action plans of Cherwell District Council and Oxford City Council are presented as final drafts, which are still subject to member approval.
- 2.4 As the OWP is currently undergoing a period of change and transition to new governance and financial arrangements, A one-year action plan is currently considered practical. Each action plan, therefore, runs until 31 March 2008. A progress report against the action plans will be provided at each OWP meeting, thus providing a quarterly update.
- 2.5 In future, consideration should be given to the development of a rolling 3-year action plan, which will bring our work planning in line with the 3-year budget setting process set out within the new OWP Partnership Agreement. Our more detailed budget setting and action planning will necessarily remain an annual process, but major projects and estimated expenditure should forecast on a 3-year basis.

3 Financial, Risk and Staff Implications

- 3.1 The action plans will be delivered within the agreed 2007/08 budgets for the OWP and for the partner authorities.
- 3.2 There is a great deal of commonality between the action plans. Whilst many activities are already undertaken jointly, there is some further scope for joint working on a number of the projects that have been set out. For example, a number of partner authorities are:
- seeking to reduce their own waste arisings;
 - exploring food waste collections; and,
 - reviewing bring site provision.

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Where authorities have identified common projects and required outcomes, they should liaise or work jointly in order to avoid any potential duplication of effort. It is recommended that the Officer Strategy Group conducts a review of the action plans to identify any areas of potential joint working. A "gap" analysis should also be conducted to ensure that each of the strategic policies within the JMWMS is being taken forward and that none have been left out.

4 Areas Affected

- 4.1 A countywide OWP action plan has been produced, together with specific action plans for each Waste Collection Authority area.

5 Effect on Strategic Policies

- 5.1 The action plans have been developed to progress each of the strategic policies within the JMWMS.

6 Options or Alternatives

- 6.1 Alterations to the format of the action plans and the proposed reporting regime may be proposed.

7 Recommendations

- 7.1 It is recommended that:
- i. Members forward any comments on the JMWMS summary leaflet to Wayne Lewis by 6th April 2007 and that, subject to any amendments proposed by 6th April, the leaflet then be printed;
 - ii. The JMWMS action plans be noted and a quarterly update report to the OWP be agreed;
 - iii. The Officer Strategy Group review the action plans to identify scope for joint working and to identify any further work required to progress the JMWMS strategic policies.

8 Reasons for Recommendations

- 8.1 To promote and implement the JMWMS.

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