



## **Budget and Finance Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

### **Report from the Assistant Director of Policy**

Wards Affected:  
ALL

#### **West London Waste Authority update**

#### **1.0 Summary**

- 1.1 The attached briefing provides the committee with an update on the West London Waste Authority. Jim Brennan, Director, West London Waste Authority, Sue Harper, Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods and Cllr Mashari, lead member for Environment & Neighbourhoods will be attending the meeting.

#### **2.0 Recommendations**

- 2.1 That the committee comment on and note the contents of the briefing

#### **3.0 Detail**

- 3.1 In January 2013 the Budget and Finance Overview & Scrutiny Committee received a report which set out the financial problems at the West London Waste Authority (WLWA) and how these had impacted on Brent.
- 3.2 Members initially focussed on what had happened, the time line of events, Brent's share of the levy, and the impact that this would have on Brent's budget.
- 3.3 However they were also keen to find out what actions were being taken to review & revise processes and practices to ensure that this situation could not

arise again. The committee agreed that the Chair would write to the WLWA and seek further clarification on a number of the committees concerns.

3.4 As a result of the reply to the Chair's letter Jim Brennan, Director of the West London Waste Authority was invited to attend the July Budget and Finance OSC to discuss:

- How the changes outlined in the response have impacted on WLWA practices.
- Detail of the new and revised processes in place
- Outcomes to date
- What checks and balances have been put in place
- And lastly, what impact all of this has had on the Authority's recent major procurement.

3.5 A briefing paper provided by the West London Waste Authority is attached to this report. The letter from the Chair and the response from West London West London Waste Authority are attached at appendix one of the briefing paper.

#### **4.0 Financial Implications**

4.1 None

#### **5.0 Legal Implications**

5.1 None

#### **6.0 Diversity Implications**

6.1 None

#### **7.0 Staffing/Accommodation Implications (if appropriate)**

7.1 None

### **Background Papers**

Budget & Finance Overview & Scrutiny Committee 15<sup>th</sup> January 2013  
Report of the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods: West London Waste Authority & Waste Cost Issues.

Budget & Finance Overview & Scrutiny Committee 15<sup>th</sup> January 2013,  
Minutes of the meeting

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