

Alliance Environmental Services Ltd (AES)
Minutes of Board Meeting
Monday 23rd January 2023, 10am Via Microsoft Teams

Present:

Kevin Melling, Managing Director	KM
Jane Thomason, Deputy Managing Director	JT
Melanie Henniker, Director HR & Corporate Services	MH
Tracy Baldwin, Group Finance Manager	TB
Mark Trillo, Executive Director AES	MT
Andrew Stokes, Chief Exec SM&HP/Director AES	AS

Other:

Jade Barber (Minutes)	JB
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Apologies Received:

Cllr Arthur Moran, Chairman	AM
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Agenda Item	Notes	Action
1.	<p>KM chaired the meeting throughout</p> <p>KM reported that due notice of the meeting had been given and that a quorum was present. Accordingly, he declared the meeting open.</p>	
2.	<p>Declaration of Conflict of Interest</p> <p>No conflicts of interest were declared</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes of meeting held on 19TH December 2022 and Matters arising</p> <p>The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting. All outstanding actions were completed.</p>	
4.	<p>Litter Bins</p> <p>JT summarised a report around litter bins as previously requested by AS. The purpose of the report is to provide a high-level overview of options available for litter bins. The report outlines several options which are available in the market, including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litter bins utilising QR codes • Automatic Compaction Litter Bins (Solar Powered) • Illuminating Litter Bins (Solar Powered) • In bin fill sensors <p>JT reviewed the details of each option including; costs, specification, installation considerations, potential suppliers and advantages and disadvantages. She asked that the board advise her if they felt any of the options were particularly suitable, in order for her to conduct further research and analysis. AS will take the report to the next Commissioning Board for feedback.</p>	
5.	<p>Operational Update</p> <p>One RCV has just been delivered for High Peak, with one RCV outstanding from the Fleet Replacement programme.</p>	

	<p>The team are behind with some collections due to the recent snow and ice. These collections will be picked up and caught up with this week.</p> <p>AES Managers & the Commissioning team have met with BNP Parabas to discuss future depot requirements at High Peak, facilitated by the County Council in order to gather data. They are visiting all authorities within the county council, in order to present a paper in July 2023.</p> <p>Following the recent security issue within the Leek facility, managers have been in discussion with the Council's Estates team to arrange suitable improvements that will reduce the risk of re-occurrence. A Health and Safety visit took place earlier this month, there were some concerns around the lighting, workshop and the roofing. These issues are being dealt with.</p>	
6.	<p>Waste and Strategy Update</p> <p>JT and team have spent time with Rob Wilkes and Anthony Morris to formulate answers around the DEFRA questionnaire. Information was given as needed around the MRF and Biowise contracts. Answers were drafted to share with both Staffordshire County Council and Derbyshire County Council.</p> <p>Last week, DEFRA published their consultation response on the deposit return scheme. Materials that are in scope are PETs, bottles, steel and aluminium. Glass is not included. The implication of this for us is that if the schemes are successful, there will be less PET bottles and drink containers in the curb side collections and MRF process, potentially reducing our income and having a negative effect on recycling rates for both authorities. The regulations will be enforced by the end of 2023, with a commencement date of 1st October 2025.</p> <p>KM asked what enforcement means; JT said they are yet unsure but assumes it will mean the appointment of a scheme administrator to work out the mechanism for the return scheme.</p>	
7.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>No other business was raised in this meeting.</p>	

The Meeting closed at 11.15
Next Meeting Tuesday 28th February 2023 at 14.00