Alliance Environmental Services Ltd (AES) Minutes of Board Meeting Wednesday, 24th May 2023, 2pm, Via Microsoft Teams

Present:

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

Other:

Megan Bowyer (Minutes) MB
Nivi Muthukumar, Grant Thornton (Audit Plan) NM

Apologies Received:

Cllr Arthur Moran, Chairman AM

Agenda Item	Notes	Action
1.	KM chaired the meeting throughout in the absence of AM who had sent his apologies.	
	KM reported that due notice of the meeting had been given and that a quorum was present. Accordingly, he declared the meeting open.	
2.	Declaration of Conflict of Interest	
	No conflicts of interest were declared	
3.	3.1 Minutes of meeting held on 27 April 2023	
	The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.	
	3.2 Matters arising	
	JT advised that the Company has recruited a Regional Operations Manager who	
	will start in post with effect from July 2023	
	 Grass cutting – there are still problems with mowers, but AES is working with Ansa to resolve. 	
	 AS advised there had been good feedback from all parties from the recent 	
	Member briefing meetings. JT and KM both confirmed that they had found the structure of the meetings very useful and well thought out.	
	Q4 Strategic Report	
4.	JT presented the report which covered the final quarter to 31/3/2023.	
	Service Update Details were per the slide in the report with JT highlighting in particular the success of the	
	PickFit and Community litter pick campaigns where over 1,000 individuals have already participated.	
	In recognition of the work community groups are doing within the boroughs we have gifted	
	a number of the longstanding group 25 square metres of trees via The Woodland Trust	
	and this has been well received and positive publicity obtained for a small amount of cost.	

The High Peak Fuel tank has been replaced –however HVO roll out has paused due to the current increased HVO costs versus diesel prices.

Resourcing and supply chain pressures continue; however, service impacts have largely been mitigated.

There are delays to delivery of new vehicles with 12 months plus lead times plus 20% increase in the cost of tyres and ongoing difficulties obtaining some parts.

We are working with our JV partners to explore how best to support growth opportunities. A new AES website is currently being tested ahead of launch

KPIs

In Q4 High Peak had a 99.97% success rate for waste collections. Overall, the missed bins were slightly higher than the target, but this measure has been improving throughout the year. There continues to be a low level of complaints.

Recycling data at 49.2% has been estimated as there is a lag in the receipt of figures, however we consider this a good result which is in line with national trends.

Staffs Moorlands

Missed bins stood at 28.05 per 100,000 against the target of 36 or less; this is an excellent result and there was also a low level of complaints. Recycling at 55.2% was again estimated but is considered a good result.

Street cleansing, Grounds and Parks KPIs

All annual inspections were completed, and the Community clear up target has been exceeded. We have maintained all the green flag awards.

JT commented that one of our greatest successes across both Councils has been the Comms team – their level of engagement has been second to none.

5. Waste and Strategy Update

JT advised that she had nothing further to report at this time.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 AES Commissioning Meeting

AS confirmed the information to be presented by AES for this meeting should include:

- Operational and Financial Updates
- Resource and Waste Strategy details
- APSE presentation on WRAP

The Meeting closed at 15.50 Next Meeting 28th June 2023