

**Ansa Environmental Services Ltd (Ansa)
Minutes of Board Meeting
Wednesday 19th September at 14.00**

Present:

Cllr Arthur Moran, Chair	AM
Kevin Melling, Managing Director	KM
Jane Thomason, Deputy MD	JT
Melanie Henniker, Director HR & Corporate Services	MH
Tracy Baldwin, Group Finance Manager	TB
Cllr Fiona Wilson, CEC Shareholder Observer	FW

Other attendees:

Jade Barber, PA to Deputy MD (Minutes)	JB
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Apologies:

Agenda Item	Item Detail	Actions
1.	<p>Minutes of last Non-Commercial Meeting The Minutes of the meeting held on 21st July 2023 were approved as being an accurate and correct record.</p> <p>Matters Arising None were raised in this meeting.</p>	
2.	<p>Operational Update Around 18 months ago, the EA started a sector wide review of Environmental permits with Regulation 61 notices being sent to all operators on a sector basis - Ansa received ours in Nov 2021, with a deadline of submitting our supporting evidence by April 2022 which was achieved. This is a regulatory mechanism to ensure permits keep pace with environmental best practice, or BAT (best available techniques). Further dialogue was had with them during the summer of 2022, and then nothing was heard back until June 2023. At this point they proposed a new revised permit. The team have been working through the implications of some of the changes that they have put forward and have entered into further dialogue with them. This is ongoing.</p> <p>Business Managers from both Waste and Grounds and their teams are focusing on the 2 major CE MTFS projects that affect us directly, namely the Chargeable Garden Waste Project and achieving the Grounds service reductions of £600k.</p> <p>The EA visited site on Wednesday 16th August as a standard visit. We received the CAR (Compliance Assessment Report) last week-, this report outlines compliance with the waste permit. No permit breaches were identified. Under advice and guidance section of the report, an action was provided find the baseline condition of soil and ground water report and identify any potential information about groundwater and soil monitoring plans.</p> <p>High Peak Borough Council and Staffordshire Moorlands District Council approached AES to request us to looking into taking over their bereavement services. This is going well and settling in, the team are working closely with Orbitas in moving forward with this.</p> <p>There are still significant delays with DEFRA and the Waste and Resource Strategy – there was an announcement that the implementation of the producer responsibility for packaging has been delayed to October 2025 Defra continues to work with both businesses and local authorities on developing and refining processes and information</p>	

	<p>gathering. In the coming months various workstreams will address data gaps (with several information requests likely to be received by CEC in the first instance). On the consistency of collection – government ministers and civil servants have repeated the statement the consultation response will be published imminently and that will give an indication on how the government is thinking even if it is not backed up with guidance and draft legislation. At the end of July, the government did publish its Waste Prevention Programme that focusses on working closer with industry, making reuse more mainstream and improving the durability, repairability and recyclability of products.</p>	
3.	<p>Employee Representative Matters MH confirmed that the current Rep, has reached the end of his term and decided not to continue with the role. He enjoyed his time in the position and felt it was useful but ultimately felt his time was done. Advertisement has gone out for this role for a replacement. MH will continue to update the board on this matter.</p>	
4.	<p>Any Other Business AM noted he attended a safety inspection of the new skate park developed in Nantwich. AM wanted to formally thank the team for their hard work in securing the funding and developing this project, as it is an asset to the local community.</p>	

The meeting closed at 15.50. Next meeting to be held on 16th October 2023 at 13.30