

REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENTAL & CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMITTEE –
15th SEPTEMBER 2003

REPORT ON: NATIONAL WASTE STRATEGY – DUNDEE CITY COUNCILS
IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

REPORT BY: HEAD OF WASTE MANAGEMENT

REPORT NO: 609-2003

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek committee approval for the Draft Implementation Plan prepared by the Head of Waste Management, and agree that it be submitted to the Scottish Executive as the bid for funding from the Strategic Waste Fund. A copy of the Plan has been sent to each group secretary, and an additional copy is available for inspection in the Councillors Lounge.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the draft implementation plan be approved and that it be submitted to the Scottish Executive as the bid for funding from the Strategic Waste Fund.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1.1 The Implementation Plan will form the basis of a bid for funding from the Strategic Waste Fund administered by the Scottish Executive. If the Plan meets with their approval, then any financial implications arising from the Plan will be met in full by the fund.

4.0 DUNDEE 21 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Implementation of the Plan will have a major impact on the following themes of the Local Agenda 21 strategy – “resources are used effectively and waste is minimised” and “health is protected by creating a safe, clean and pleasant environment”

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None

6.0 MAIN TEXT

- 6.1.1 The National Waste Plan launched by the Scottish Executive in February 2003, set out the basis for a fundamental shift in the way Scotland's resources are managed. It established targets at national and local level for municipal waste management, and allocated £230 million over the next three years to enable local authorities to implement the changes in practice required to meet those targets.
- 6.1.2 The Tayside Area Waste Plan, launched in March 2003, established the Best Practicable Environmental Option for dealing with the waste generated within Tayside. It also set recycling and landfill diversion targets to be met by each individual local authority up to 2020.
- 6.1.3 The purpose of the Implementation Plan is to provide the fundamental infrastructure that will allow the aims and objectives of the Area Waste Plan to be met in a methodical and planned manner. It will set out incremental improvements and changes to waste management practices that will deliver compliance with the

diversion targets set out in the EU Landfill Directive, and ensure the Council contributes to the 25% recycling target set by the Scottish Executive for 2006.

6.1.4 The key themes of the Plan are as follows:

- Preventing the generation of waste at source
- Increasing segregated kerbside collections of dry recyclate and compostables
- Increasing the quantities of paper, card, glass, metal etc that are recycled
- Increasing the quantities of putrescible wastes (eg garden and kitchen waste) composted
- Ensuring energy recovery from appropriate wastes by combustion at the DERL energy from waste plant, and
- Reducing the quantities of waste going to landfill

6.1.5 The Implementation Plan will be subject to constant review, but is seen as an essential step towards developing a range of integrated actions for dealing with the waste arising within the area.

7.0 CONSULTATION

7.1 Chief Executive
Depute Chief Executive (Support Services)
Depute Chief Executive (Finance)
Director of Planning and Transportation

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 Tayside Area Waste Plan.

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