

Subject: Waste Financial Reward and Compulsory Recycling Schemes

Report to: Environment Committee

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Date: 23 June 2011

This report will be considered in public.

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report seeks the Committee's agreement to the findings report on waste financial reward and compulsory schemes.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Committee formally agrees the report *Carrots and Sticks: A review of waste financial reward and compulsory recycling schemes*.**

3. Background

- 3.1 The Environment Committee agreed at its meeting on 8 September 2010 to conduct an inquiry looking at the extent to which personal waste financial incentive schemes impact on recycling performance.

- 3.2 The terms of reference agreed were to:

- Explore the impact of waste financial incentive schemes on recycling performance;
- Consider whether waste financial incentive schemes are necessary to improve recycling rates;
- Identify examples of best practice and lessons learned; and
- Make recommendations on how waste financial incentive schemes might best be applied to London.

- 3.3 The Committee discussed issues around the role and impact of waste financial reward and compulsory schemes at a public meeting on 4 November 2010, with the following guests:

- Simon Smith, Commercial Director Recycle Bank;
- Sue Igoe, Managing Director Recycle Bank;
- Rob Crumby, Marketing Manager Recycle Bank;
- Terry Gould, Head of Public Protection;
- Andrew Richmond, Waste Policy & Programmes Manager;
- Nick Cliffe, Marketing Manager, Closed Loop Recycling; and
- Nicola Cross, Environmental Services Manager, London Borough of Barnet.

4. Issues for Consideration

- 4.1 A copy of the draft report *Carrots and Sticks: A review of waste financial reward and compulsory recycling schemes* is attached as **Appendix 1** for the Committee's consideration and formal agreement. Officers confirm that the report and its findings fall within the terms of reference.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 The Committee has the power to do what is recommended in this report.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

List of appendices to this report:

Appendix 1 - *Carrots and Sticks: A review of waste financial reward and compulsory recycling schemes*

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
List of Background Papers: Minutes of the Environment Committee dated 8 September 2010 Minutes of the Environment Committee dated 4 November 2010
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