



HERTFORDSHIRE WASTE PARTNERSHIP

MEMBERS' GROUP

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Item 7: Waste Infrastructure Capital Grant – Update

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1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. To update the Directors Group with respect to the projects being funded by the Waste Infrastructure Capital Grant fund.

2. Background

- 2.1. Previously the HWP agreed to allocate just over £2 million of capital funding to support the development of collection infrastructure by the constituent authorities from April 2008 to March 2011.
- 2.2. To give the bidding and allocations process a framework in which to operate in May 2008 the Member Sub Group, (MSG) agreed a selection criteria. The criteria specified the types of project that were considered to be a priority and what percentage capital funding would be granted ranging from 50% for vehicles through to 100% for 'On Street' recycling facilities.
- 2.3. In January 2009 the selection criteria was amended to provide a greater degree of flexibility with respect to bids which, although not falling into one of the pre-defined categories, nonetheless were in pursuit of the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy, (JMWMS).
- 2.4. In addition following a report to the MSG meeting on the 26th August 2009 the selection criteria was further amended to allow the funding of residual waste bins as part of wider moves towards the implementation of restricted residual waste collection models.

3. Current Situation

- 3.1. At the last Directors' meeting it was reported that 18 projects had been completed with payments made totalling £438,176.
- 3.2. These figures have since improved with 25 (+7) projects now complete with payments totalling £648,332 (+£210,156).

- 3.3. In addition based on previous approvals there are another 13 projects due for completion during 2009/10 with capital expenditure of £195k. Appendix A circulated separately provides a breakdown of completed and approved projects which have received WICG funding.
- 3.4. The figures noted above also take into account the 18 projects that were approved at the MSG meeting on the 7th December 2009 as well as 5 additional bids that were approved before the final deadline on the 8th January 2010.
- 3.5. The WICG fund is now fully committed with support extended to 57 different projects that has seen and will see further infrastructure deployed across Hertfordshire improving the recycling services provided by the HWP.

4. Recommendations

- 4.1. That this report is presented to the HWP Member meeting on the 26th April 2010 incorporating any available updates.
- 4.2. That an updated report be presented to the Directors' group on the 21st June 2010.