ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE TUESDAY 21 JUNE 2022

The following questions are to be put to the Chairman of the Environment and Climate Change Overview and Scrutiny Committee from Mr M. Hunt CC

1. Future Residual waste Strategy

On 16 January 2020 the Director stated in her report to the committee: "Procurement of option(s) for waste treatment, replacing an existing residual waste contract for up to 60,000 tonnes of waste. ...For the procurement exercise commissioning is following a competitive dialogue approach; selection questionnaires have been received and evaluated with clarifications resolved and are now in the outline solutions stage of the tender process. The new contract is due to be awarded in early 2021 with a start date to be confirmed between April 2021 to April 2023"

Has the Contract been awarded and is the start date of such a contract still anticipated by April 2023?

Reply by the Chairman:

Due to the nature and status of the process and the confidentiality associated with this matter, the County Council is limited in what can be disclosed at this point. However, it can be confirmed that once the award information can be made public, a report will be prepared and taken to the Cabinet accordingly.

There has been no change to the above position regarding the contract start date.

2. Future Residual waste Strategy

If the Contract has not yet been awarded yet what impact, if any, has this on our waste disposal costs?

Reply by the Chairman:

The published 2021-2025 Medium Term Financial Strategy accounts for any waste disposal costs associated with the Contract for Post 2020 Residual Waste.

3. Future Residual waste Strategy

Does the procurement still set as a minimum requirement that any solution that burns or incinerates the waste (or a significant fraction of the waste) should utilise an R1 compliant facility as defined in the EU Waste Framework Directive 2008/98/EC, as stated in January 2021?

Reply by the Chairman:

There has been no change to this position.