

APSE Scotland Waste & Recycling Advisory Group Meeting

Friday 18th September 2015

Howden Park Centre, Livingston

1. Welcome and Introductions

Councillor Craig Melville, Chair of the APSE Scotland Advisory Group opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to Livingston and outlined the agenda for the day.

2. Attendance & Apologies

See attached list.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

4. Maximising Resources by Diverting Bulky Waste for Reuse: Robert Robb, Waste Collection & Recycling manager, North Ayrshire Council

Robert Robb gave a detailed presentation and talk relating to the above. The talk highlighted the involvement of the third sector partners, community benefits obtained through the scheme, financial investment and outputs so far. It was also highlighted that Zero Waste Scotland are undertaking a best practice case study on the project. Robert fielded a number of questions from the group following his presentation.

5. Contamination\Quality of Recycling Collections: Lesley Sugden\Angus Murdoch, City of Edinburgh Council

Angus gave details on the new Edinburgh kerbside service methodology, the issues relating to and the team's methods for dealing with contamination challenges, including amnesty periods, contamination tags, use of a scavenger vehicle and work with Environmental Wardens to deal with problem sites. Lesley then requested information from the group on other Council approaches during a healthy Q and A session.

6. SWITCH update: Andy Malcolm, APSE representative on SWITCH Executive Committee

Andy provided the group with information on the progress so far of the SWITCH forum, and highlighted forthcoming key dates and events.

7. APSE National Update: Louise Melville, Principal Advisor, APSE Scotland

Louise provided the APSE update including briefings, research (which this month included the topical “Waste – a brave new world” report), training, the APSE Energy programme and APSE attendance at the forthcoming political party conferences. Louise also highlighted recent Scottish successes at the APSE Service Awards in Swansea.

8. Issues affecting Service Delivery

8.1 Waste Charter

David Goodenough gave the group some detail on the proposed new “Code of Practice” and recent workshop relating to the above.

8.2 Waste Crime

Louise Melville provided detail relating to a waste crime specific event. Further details on outcomes\working group available via Louise.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Friday the 27th November, venue to be confirmed.

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Attendee List

Name	Council
Louise Melville	APSE
Susanne Austin	Angus Council
Alan Millar	Argyll & Bute Council
Lesley Sugden	City of Edinburgh Council
Angus Murdoch	City of Edinburgh Council
Gillian Wilson	Clackmannanshire Council
Cllr Craig Melville	Dundee City Council
Andy Malcolm	Dundee City Council
Harry Hughes	East Dunbartonshire Council
Councillor Vincent Waters	East Renfrewshire Council

Derek McCathie	Falkirk Council
Tsega Spence	Falkirk Council
Martin Kingham	Fife Council
Margo Almond	Fife Council
Robert Robb	North Ayrshire Council
Wallace Turpie	North Ayrshire Council
Steven Andrews	North Ayrshire Council
Tony Burns	North Lanarkshire Council
Gary Mooney	Scotland Excel
Andrew MacDonald	South Lanarkshire Council
Stevie McDonald	South Lanarkshire Council
Julie McPhee	Stirling Council
Peter Robertson	Stirling Council
Kenney Campbell	Stirling Council
Peter Mckay	Stirling Council
Jim Jack	West Lothian Council
Karen King	West Lothian Council
Stephen Gilfillan	West Lothian Council
Eduardo Moreno	West Lothian Council
Gary Morrison	West Lothian Council
Alison Towers	West Lothian Council
Joanne Dunn	West Lothian Council
Cllr Frank Anderson	West Lothian Council
Cllr Tom Conn	West Lothian Council

Apologies

Rowan Lloyd	Dumfries & Galloway Council
James Parker	Dumfries & Galloway Council
Malcolm Rae	East Ayrshire Council
Jim Bryant	Midlothian Council
Colin Wilson	Inverclyde Council
Lyall Rennie	East Renfrewshire Council