

MERSEYSIDE WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY

VISION, AIMS AND OBJECTIVES 2010 to 2013

VISION:

'To improve people's quality of life by ensuring that waste is sustainably managed to bring about the best combination of environmental, economic and social benefits'

AIM 1 Operations

1. To deliver value for money services and provide quality waste facilities which meet the current and future needs of the Merseyside and Halton Waste Partnership and deliver continuous improvement in performance.

Objectives:

- 1.1. To sustainably procure goods and deliver services in accordance with best practice and which demonstrate value for money and continuous improvement.
- 1.2. To work with our customers, contractors and stakeholders to continuously improve the waste services we provide in terms of efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability.
- 1.3. To manage the development of new and existing sites and facilities and the restoration of closed sites in a safe and sustainable manner.
- 1.4. To continue to deliver the Authority's Site Acquisition and Planning Strategy, consistent with the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy (JMWMS) and wider planning policies.
- 1.5. To ensure that effective health, safety and environmental monitoring and control measures are in place at the Authority's sites.

Improvement Targets

- To procure and let major new waste management contract for resource recovery.
- To comply with the Authority's Landfill Allowance Trading Scheme obligations.

- To deliver the performance targets specified in the Authority's waste contracts as a minimum, to include:
 - Recycling and composting at least 51.21% of HWRC waste in 2010/11
 - Diverting from landfill at least 61.46% in 2010/11
 - Diverting from landfill at least 87% of Kerbside Collected Materials delivered to the Authority in 2010/11
- To recycle or compost at least 38% of municipal waste by 2015.
- To deliver at least three new or replacement HWRC's by 2012.
- To achieve a customer satisfaction level of 85% of HWRC users by 2012.
- To deliver a second operational MRF on Merseyside by 2011.
- To recover 46% of municipal waste by 2015.
- To acquire sites required to deliver the Authority's Site Acquisition and Planning Strategy.
- To endeavor to achieve the BREEAM Excellent Standard for new build and Very Good for refurbishment against a base case costing within the funding affordability envelope.

AIM 2 Resources

2. To manage the Authority in accordance with the principles of the Authority's Code of Corporate Governance.

Objectives:

- 2.1. To maintain good governance arrangements and effective use of resources in line with best practice.
- 2.2. To deliver the HR Strategy to maximise the effectiveness of the Authority's workforce and Members.
- 2.3. To effectively engage with our customers and stakeholders to meet the aims of the Authority's Communications and Education and Awareness Strategies.
- 2.4. To deliver the Authority's Data Quality Strategy to improve the quality of the data used by the Authority and its stakeholders to support good decision-making and to improve services.
- 2.5. To continuously develop and review our performance, policies and strategies in line with regional and national guidelines and current best practice.

Improvement Targets:

- To manage sickness absence to within the top quartile of local authorities by 2011.
- To maintain and improve staff satisfaction levels.
- To ensure the Authority receives an unqualified opinion on all of its governance, performance and financial audits.
- To achieve Environmental Management System accreditation in 2009 and retain it thereafter,
- To publish an annual report including Environmental and Corporate Social Responsibility performance each year.
- Achieve level 3 (Practice) in the Sustainable Procurement Framework by 2010.
- To manage the Authority's adaptation to climate change and achieve Level 2 of NI 188 by undertaking a risk assessment and developing prioritised actions by March 2012.
- To provide training opportunities to all MWDA staff and elected Members on key waste strategy issues each year.
- To deliver educational opportunities to 2575 visitors to MWDA facilities in 2010/11.

AIM 3 Partnership

3. To lead the development and implementation of a Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Merseyside.

Objectives:

- 3.1. To review and implement the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Merseyside.
- 3.2. To maximise engagement with all stakeholders through effective communication, consultation and engagement.
- 3.3. To lead the development of the Merseyside and Halton Waste Partnership and encourage joint working opportunities which strengthen the effectiveness and efficiency of the partnership.
- 3.4. To have regard to all Partner Authorities local improvement targets in excercising functions and to engage effectively with all partner authorities and Local Strategic Partnerships.

Improvement Targets:

- To reduce residual waste across Merseyside to 744kg per household (NI 191) and 141kg at HWRCs by 2011.
- To agree a Senior Officers Working Group Annual Action Plan and report annually on partnership performance in delivering the JMWMS.
- To complete the review of the JMWMS and ratify by March 2011.