

MRWA Motion:

Members will recall the motion by Councillor Roscoe which was ...

'The MRWA recognises that UK households produce around 7 million tonnes of food waste each year. Most food waste ends up in residual waste. Diverting food waste from landfill by having a separate food waste collection and appropriate food waste treatment can significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Many of the MWRA partners have declared a climate emergency and are committed to a net carbon zero activity target.

In order to achieve this, we must begin planning for action now.

I move that this authority requests that the MRWA CEO and colleagues from Liverpool City Region Senior Officers working group bring a report to a future meeting of the MRWA on the range of options available for the introduction and delivery of food waste collection and treatment across the LCR, to be in place as soon as possible before the proposed date Government legislate for (currently 2024).

The report to advise members of the staffing, resource and financial implications of each of the available options and other details including, but not necessarily limited to the various collection and service delivery methodologies, cross boundary working, vehicle types, and possible food treatment strategies. The report will include all options and will also be open to all the partner authorities i.e. joint/separate.

I further move that this Authority should make enquiries of DEFRA as to the availability of financial support to 'pilot' food waste collections prior to 2024, in a large metropolitan area such as the Liverpool City Region.

The report to be prepared and ready for discussion no later than the first meeting of MRWA in 2020'