

## At the meeting of the Authority held on Friday 21st April 2023

Present: Cllr Concepcion Cllr Bell Cllr Robertson-Collins Cllr Osundeko Cllr Page Cllr Williams

### 39. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from: Cllr Brown, Cllr Carlin, Cllr Martin and Cllr Nelson

### 40. Minutes of the Authority Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023

**Resolved** the minutes of the Authority Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

### 41. Declarations of Interests by Members and Officers

There were no declarations of interest.

### 42. Question(s) from Members under Procedural Rule 9

There were no questions submitted by Members in accordance with Procedural Rule 9.

### 43. Question(s) from Members of the Public under Procedural Rule 10

There were no questions submitted by members of the public in accordance with Procedural Rule 10.

# 44. Motion proposed by Members under Procedural Rule 15

There were no motions proposed by Members under Procedural Rule 15.

## 45. WDA/07/23 Code of Corporate Governance and Annual Governance Statement

Members noted the findings of the Annual Corporate Governance Assessment and the review undertaken of the recruitment process for new Chief Executive and the decision made to appoint the Chief executive.

## **Resolved that:**

- 1. Members Approved the Improvement Action Plan for 2023/24
- 2. Members Approved the Code of Corporate Governance
- Members approve the Annual Governance Statement and the Statement be signed by the Authority's representatives for inclusion in the Statement of Accounts 2022/23
- 4. Members note the review undertaken of the recruitment process for the new Chief Executive and ratify the decision made to appoint the Chief Executive

## 46. WDA/08/23 Service Delivery Plan 2023/24

Members were asked to note the progress made during 2022/23 in the delivery of the Corporate Plan

## **Resolved that:**

1. Members Approved the proposed Service Delivery Plan for 2024/24

## 47. WDA/09/23 MRWA Update on Audit Recommendations

Members were asked to take note of the progress in response to the Audit recommendations. Members were reminded of the External Auditors report in November 2021 which included statutory recommendations for the Authority to respond to.

**Resolved** that Members took note of the progress in response to the Audit recommendations.

## 48. WDA/10/23 Contract Procurement

The Report listed Key challenges facing the Authority in preparation for the conclusion of a key contract for dealing with waste for Merseyside and Halton and MRWA's waste Service previsions in the future.

## Resolved that :

- 1. Members agreed that officers draw up plans for a dedicated in-house procurement team to deliver an effective Procurement ; and
- 2. Members agreed that officers should identify the most appropriate way to obtain specialist consultancy advise.
- 3. Members agreed that officers work with District council partners to identify the most appropriate outcome for services going forward.