MERSEYSIDE WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY

At the meeting of the Authority
held on Friday 25th September 2026

Present: **Cllr Page**
Cllr Robertson-Collins
Cllr Gibson
Cllr Norris
Cllr Harvey
Cllr Baldwin

18. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Powell, Brown, Ainsworth and Nolan.

19. **Minutes of the Authority Meeting held on 26th June 2026**

Resolved the minutes of the Authority Meeting held on the 26th of June be approved and signed as a correct record.

20. **Declarations of Interests by Members and Officers**

There were no declarations of interest.

21. **Question(s) from Members under Procedural Rule 9**

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

22. **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.

23. **Motion proposed by Members under Procedural Rule 15**

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

24. **WDA/24/26 Zero waste community fund – 2025-26 and 2026-27**

Members were informed of the outcome of the 2025-26 Zero Waste Community Fund programme and asked to note the projects supported with Zero Waste Community Fund for 2026-2027 as approved by the Chief Executive under delegated powers of the Authority.

Members were asked to confirm they wish to continue the policy of delegating powers of the Authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chairperson, to approve projects subject to the Zero Waste Community Fund being apportioned in line with the agreed funding allocation method

Resolved that:

1. Members noted the outcome of the 2025-26 Zero Waste Community Fund Projects and the projects supported with Zero Waste Community Funding in 2026-2027; and

2. Members approved continued delegation powers of the Authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chairperson, to approve projects subject to the Zero Waste Community Fund being apportioned in line with the agreed funding allocation method.

25. **WDA/25/26 MRWA Finance report 2026/27**

Members were provided with an update as at 31st July 2026 (Period 4) of the Authority's forecast revenue budget and capital programme position.

Resolved that:

1. Members approved the revised forecast for 2026/27 with regard to the Authority's Revenue Budget, as outlined Section 3 and in Appendix 1.

2. Members Approve the revised Capital Programme for 2026/27 as outlined in Section 5 and Appendix 2

Exclusion of the Public

Resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items for the reasons stated.

Minute	Reason (under the Local Government Act 1972)
26	Exempt information relating to any individual (Paragraph 4 of Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972)

26. **WDA/26/26 Proposed land acquisitions to support the future waste services programme**

Members were provided with an update on the progress in respect of the land acquisitions necessary to facilitate the Future Waste Services (FWS) Programme.

Members were asked for approval to delegate authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Director of Finance to conclude the purchase of land adjacent to the Gillmoss site

Resolved that:

1. Members agreed to delegate authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Director of Finance, to conclude the purchase of land adjacent to the Gillmoss site for a price of up to £870,000 (excluding associated taxes and legal fees).

2. Members took note of the proposal to enter into a lease agreement with Leverhulme Estates in respect of land adjacent to the Clatterbridge site for an annual cost of up to £18,000 per annum (equating to a capital value of approximately £225,000, excluding associated taxes and legal fees).

3. Members noted the intention to enter into negotiations with the British Land Company to purchase land adjacent to the Ravenhead site. This will be the subject of a further report to members to seek approval (or otherwise) for any acquisition once negotiations are sufficiently progressed.