

THE NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY

At an extraordinary meeting of the **NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY** held on **WEDNESDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2007** at 2.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Camden Town Hall, Judd Street, London WC1H 9JE.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor George Allan – London Borough of Islington
Councillor Robert Belam – London Borough of Waltham Forest
Councillor John Boast – London Borough of Enfield
Councillor Melvin Cohen – London Borough of Barnet
Councillor Brian Coleman – London Borough of Barnet (Chairman)
Councillor Brian Haley – London Borough of Haringey
Councillor Chris Knight – London Borough of Camden
Councillor Alan Laing – London Borough of Hackney
Councillor Alexis Rowell – London Borough of Camden
Councillor Eleftherios Savva – London Borough of Enfield
Councillor Eric Sizer – London Borough of Waltham Forest
Councillor Vincent Stops – London Borough of Hackney
Councillor Lucy Watt – London Borough of Islington

MEMBERS ABSENT

Councillor Ray Dodds – London Borough of Haringey

The minutes should be read in conjunction with the agenda for the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

4. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

Members noted the standing declarations recorded in the agenda.

(Extraordinary Meeting of the North London Waste Authority –12th December 2007)

In relation to Item 5, Councillor Haley declared that he was an honorary member of the Institute of Waste Management. He did not consider this to be a prejudicial interest and he took part in consideration of Item 5.

There were no other declarations.

5. PRESENTATION FROM THE CO-ORDINATOR OF THE REAL NAPPY SCHEME

The Authority received a presentation from Kay Wagland, from the Women's Environmental Network 'Real Nappies for London' Scheme. The Scheme was run through the London Community Recycling Network with outreach and promotion provided by the Women's Environmental Network. Ms Wagland explained the history and purpose of the scheme which provided vouchers to parents to purchase reusable nappies in preference to disposables and carried out outreach and promotional work to encourage the use of reusable nappies.

In response to questions from Members, Ms Wagland remarked that the scheme was currently focussing on cutting costs as the Women's Environmental Network who initiated the scheme did not wish to become a large service delivery organisation. Community volunteer development was an important focus for the scheme as was getting information into hospitals and running sessions with community organisations. Whilst it was clear that the increasing use of reusable nappies had an impact on the waste stream, it was very difficult to reliably quantify that impact. Work with GPs was continuing and there was an increasing level of interests although some GPs tended to see the use of reusable nappies as a backwards step.

The Chairman thanked Ms Wagland for her presentation.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next ordinary meeting would be held on the rise of this meeting.

The meeting ended at 2.59pm

Chairman

Officer Contact:
Vicky Wemyss-Cooke
020 7974 5726

*(Extraordinary Meeting of the North London Waste Authority –12th December
2007)*

vicky.wemyss-cooke@camden.gov.uk

MINUTES END