

## EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD SHEET

**Name of decision maker: Cllr H Chapman**

**Portfolio:** Environment

**Date of Portfolio Holder Decision:**

**Title of Decision: Hertfordshire Waste Strategy – Adoption of Annex 1 to Memorandum of Understanding**

**Decision made and reasons:**

That the proposed “Annex 1” to the existing Hertfordshire Waste Partnership Memorandum of Understanding be adopted by the Borough Council.

Failure to adopt the Annex could lead to the failure of Hertfordshire County Council’s bid for PFI credits to finance major waste treatment facilities in the County. These will enable Hertfordshire to meet the ambitious recycling targets contained within the Hertfordshire Waste Strategy that all Hertfordshire Districts have already formally adopted along with the County Council.

**Reports considered: (here reference can be made to specific documents)**

Hertfordshire Waste Management Strategy 2007

Memorandum of Understanding 2007(attached)

Hertfordshire Waste Partnership Member Group, 21<sup>st</sup> July 2008: report 5b – Waste Procurement Project Strategy Commitments (attached – incorporates proposed annex 1)

**Officers/Councillors/Ward Councillors/Stakeholders Consulted:**

Cllr H Chapman, Hertfordshire Waste Partnership constituent Authorities

**Monitoring Officer/Chief Financial Officer Comments:**

Monitoring Officer – nothing to add to report

Chief Financial Officer – no comment at this stage

**Options Considered and reasons for rejection:**

Not adopting Annex 1. Advice from DEFRA indicates that failure to adopt Annex 1 would seriously weaken the bid being made by HCC to secure PFI credits to enable major waste treatment infrastructure to be built in the County. In the absence of this infrastructure it is unlikely that Hertfordshire will be able to meet the recycling targets collectively adopted by the Hertfordshire Authorities in 2007, seriously damaging the reputation of those Authorities, including Dacorum and increasing the likelihood of fines from Government for failure to meet targets in relation to biodegradable waste sent to landfill under the Landfill Allowance trading Scheme (LATS)

**Portfolio Holders Signature:**

**Date:**

**Details of any interests declared and any dispensations given by the**

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