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## **ESSEX WASTE STRATEGY – ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

### **1 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Members of the Annual Waste Strategy Conference and to seek approval for the allocation of spaces to attend this event.

### **2 INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 The staging of an Annual Conference has been proposed and approved by The Waste Management Advisory Board and is scheduled to take place on 30 June 2003 at a venue yet to be confirmed (although likely to be Five Lakes Hotel near Maldon).
- 2.2 The Conference is linked to the various issues that are being considered in producing the final draft of the Essex Waste Strategy and is open to Members and key Officers from each of the District / Borough / Unitary and County Councils in Essex.
- 2.3 The aim of the Conference is to inform a wider audience of elected Members from the Essex Authorities on the progress and content of the Essex Waste Strategy and will involve a number of guest speakers with extensive experience in different areas of waste management.

### **3 ATTENDANCE**

- 3.1 Council has taken up eight places at the Conference with the recommended attendance being as follows.
- Chairman of Environmental Services Committee (or their representative).
  - Chairman of Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee (or their representative).
  - Representative on the Waste Management Advisory Board.
  - One representative from the Labour Group, Liberal Democrat Group and one of the two non-Group Members.
  - Jeremy Bourne, Leisure & Contracts Manager.
  - David Timson, Principal Officer, contracted Services (Property Maintenance & Highways Manager).
- 3.2 A copy of the Programme for the Conference is attached as Appendix A.

**4 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The cost of attending the Annual Conference is approximately £75 per delegate, making an approximate total of £600 which can be met out of existing budgets.

**5 RECOMMENDATION**

- 5.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

That Members note the Content of this report and agree to allocate the places on the Annual Conference as detailed in section 3.1 of this report.

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**APPENDIX A**

**PROGRAMME**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Presenter / Facilitator</b>
09.30	Arrival and coffee	All
10.00	Introduction & Welcome	Cllr. Trevor Miller, Chelmsford BC Chairman of WMAB
10.15	Overview of Joint Waste Strategy for Essex, Southend & Thurrock <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Progress to date</li> <li>▪ Area working</li> </ul>	Graham Tombs, Essex CC Secretary of WMAB  David Tuthill, ECC Brian Lawrence, Brentwood BC
10.45	Impacts and requirements of European legislation	Bill Duncan, ASSURRE
<b>11.10</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
11.30	Integrated Waste Management Systems – role of Anaerobic Digestion	Luc De Baere, Organic Waste Services
11.50	Future of Composting	Jacqueline Dale, Composting Association
12.10	Achieving 60% recycling?	David Davies
	Kerbside recycling – performance & costs	Julia Hummel, Ecoalternatives
12.45	Question & Answer session	
<b>13.00 – 14.00</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
14.00	National Friends of the Earth Perspective on future of waste management	Tony Juniper, Director of FoE <b>(to be confirmed)</b>
14.20	An Anaerobic Solution	Steve Weston – Leicester City Council
14.40	Overview of Markets	Tom Fourcade, Waste Resources Action Programme <b>(to be confirmed)</b>
15.00	Final Question & Answer Session	
<b>15.30</b>	<b>Close of Conference &amp; Coffee / tea</b>	