WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY BOARD FOR ESSEX AND SOUTHEND

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To invite nominations for an observer representative to attend Board meetings.

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 A Waste Management Advisory Board has been established by the Association of Essex Councils:-

"to consider and, as necessary review, the strategy and action plan embodied in the joint document 'Working together to improve the Environment' and to advise waste collection authorities and disposal authorities in Essex and Southend accordingly."

- 2.2 Membership comprises five County Councillors, one Councillor from each of five collection districts and one from Southend Borough Council.
- 2.3 The Councils currently representing all the collection districts are Basildon, Braintree, Chelmsford, Colchester and Uttlesford, but there will be an opportunity for this to change from time-to-time.

3 OBSERVER STATUS

- 3.1 At the inaugural meeting of the Board in July, it was decided that those collection districts not directly represented on the Board be invited to send a Member or officer observer to future meetings. Southend Borough Council and ReMaDe Essex are also being invited to send an observer.
- 3.2 Given the importance of waste issues at the present time it would be advisable for the Council to nominate a Member observer to attend the meetings.
- 3.3 The next Board Meeting is likely to be during September, and may be before Transportation & Environmental Services Committee. The Chief Executive will, therefore, seek to implement this Sub-Committee's recommendation, following consultation with the Chairman of Transportation & Environmental Services Committee and the Group Leaders. A report of the action taken will be presented to the next meeting of the Transportation & Environmental Services Committee.

4 RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 It is proposed that the Sub-Committee **RECOMMENDS**
- (1) That a nominated Member attend Waste Management Advisory Board Meetings.
- (2) That attendance at the Board Meetings is an approved duty for the payment of travel and subsistence allowances. (HHHCC)

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Background Papers:

Minutes of Waste Management Board for Essex and Southend of Meeting held 17 July 2000.

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