

# SOUTH WEST WASTE WORKING GROUP

Minutes of Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Actions

## In Attendance:

Alison Clewes - Taunton & Somerset NHS Foundation Trust  
Tricia Hawson - Deputy Director of Facilities  
Mark Summers - Cornwall Partnership Trust  
Cliff Luke - Devon PCT and DPT  
Paul Jackson - Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust  
Simon Rigby - HEFMA South West (CHAIR)  
(Attended at 12pm for 45 minutes)

## Apologies:

Sharon Butler, Tony Ryan, Colin Waldron

## MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Agreed as an accurate record.

## MATTERS ARISING

- Site Capacity
- Mark Summers has written a paper on concerns ref challenging plans to HEFMA.
- Trusts need to have contingency plans and check contingencies of contractors
- Mark Summers contact Lorraine Holme to discuss contingency plans within HTM.

M. Summers

### 1. KPI / DATA / TARGETS

Trusts are starting to require more accurate data on recycling within contractors.

It is possible to create an 'NPAG' type recording sheet that might be useful to South West Trusts.

### 2. CARBON REPORT – WASTE MANAGEMENT DRIVES

Diverse opposition between landfill and incineration:-

- Incineration appears to be carbon preference, landfill is (when all factors are considered) discouraged. EA and industry informing use of alternative technologies due to low incinerator capacity which then goes to landfill.
- Also consideration needs to be given to heat reclamation/energy generation.
- Other countries use waste as an energy source.

The Waste Group are confused about which direction we should travel with regard to carbon reduction.

- Discussed as part of carbon issues, Group recognises as part of the 'Buying Solutions' proposal for waste to energy and will work with them to develop this project.

- Feedback to BSol's to that they should gather the information they require from ERIC data to save duplication.
- Not aware of any in-house waste to energy projects.
- Request off them if there are any possible benefits to NHS.
- HEFMA South West Carbon Group would also be interested in connecting to this initiative.

**P. Jackson**

### 3. **WASTE MANAGEMENT**

Paul Jackson tabled questions about Total Waste Management (TWM) from Wiltshire PCT.

**P. Jackson**

Paul Jackson to clarify what Wiltshire PCT actually wants as their definition of 'TWM' does not include clinical waste. Therefore it is not TWM.

TWM when considering this type of contract need to be aware some Trusts may be subsidising others.

More detail required before a useful answer can be provided.

Significant issues need to be addressed in large scale TWM contracts.

The group has concerns / understandings that there is lack of single contractor site capacity provision available in the South West and this is a national problem.

Group thinks it would be beneficial to Wiltshire PCT to join the group and pick-up learning points and gain assistance from group membership.

### 4. **CONTRACTOR SPECIFICATIONS**

Sharon Butler will be asked to put Cornwall specification on website.

**S. Butler**

Alison Clewes will put Taunton & Somerset / Dorset specification on website (to include contract dates).

**A. Clewes**

### 5. **SIMON RIGBY / AC / MA (Attended meeting at 12pm)**

- Discussed carbon issues.
- Discussed challenges to EA / National Policy.
- Discussed highlighting and encouraging group attendance at HEFMA.
- Possibility of having 'multi-group' days rather than separate days and separate travel etc, ie: tying in with the Environmental Group. Simon agreed to raise at HEFMA and Mark invited to attend in May.

**A. Clewes /  
S. Rigby**

**M. Summers**

### 6. **LEGISLATION**

Changes have been made to low risk permitting. Group members are advised to check EA website for new listings and exemptions.

**All**

Site Waste Management Plans (SWMP's) – Duty of Care we are now responsible to three parties involved: Contractor, Owner and Disposal Site. Duty of Care needs to check loads and disposal destination. This should be done by person 'named as responsible' on the SWMP's.

7. **PASA**

See attached from Tony Ryan. (Mark Summer to provide).

**M. Summers**

8. **GROUP MEMBERSHIP**

This was discussed at Item 5. If you felt that membership may improve if people benefited from other meetings held on the same day as Environment as many people had different responsibilities in the jobs.

9. **CHAIRMANSHIP**

Mark Summers to carry on.

10. **AOB**

Tricia Hawson:- South West Water have issues with Torbay about discharges (food waste & macerator), they have in turn contacted NDDH.

Mark Summers advised it is an unclear issue with regard to macerated bed pan products and components this contains. South West Water need to be much clearer on what they require and what are the issues. He is due to meet with them in a couple of weeks and is happy to raise the subject.

**M. Summers**

Next Meeting: TBA following next HEFMA meeting.  
Proposed Date: 10<sup>th</sup> June 2010 at 10.00am at Eden Project.

**M. Summers**