## StreetCare (StreetScene) / Veolia

# **WEEE Directive Operational Meeting**

Date Thursday 12th July 2007 at 12.30pm in Brent House

No.	Item	Action by
1.	Persons Present	
	Ian Stewart Tony Talman TT StreetCare Mark O'Brien John Rymer John Holbrook Nick Patterson  IS StreetCare Waste Services Man) TT StreetCare MOB StreetCare John WLWA (Twyford Tip Manager) NP Veolia (Veolia Ops Manager)  Apologies	
	Bridie Cahill BC Meeting on site	
2.	Minutes of previous Meeting  No previous meeting	
3.	Introductions  All present knew each other so there was no need for introductions	
4.	Purpose of Meeting  IS explained that the purpose of the meeting was to look at the best ways to increase recycling of WEEE and lower tonnages of waste ending up in land fill. WEEE is collected as fly tips and by special collections of bulky waste.  He continued that this had been discussed after last Tuesdays meeting and a brain storming session took place between the officers working on the ground, the call centre managers, the manager at Twyford tip and one of the Refuse Environmental managers.  This meeting was to decide the best way forward and have agreement between StreetCare, WLWA and Veolia on a course of action. There may need to be further meeting regarding the recording and administration of any new processes decided upon.	

## 5. Discussion

There was discussion by all concerning how best to collect, transport, deliver and store WEEE. Some of the comments are shown below:

#### JH said.

That he needed all the WEEE separated by 23<sup>rd</sup> July. BHP and ECT were given this date and have agreed. He cannot make an exception for Brent

## NP said

To separate and use different vehicles for WEEE and other waste wasn't environmentally friendly if 2 vehicles needed to attend the same location for a Special Collection or a fly tip. May receive complaints from MOPs about emissions etc.

## JH pointed out

2 vehicles were already being used when fridges were involved with other waste.

There was a general acknowledgment that recycling WEEE will provide significant tonnages for recycling and in the same way reduce the same amount going to landfill which should mean significant financial savings.

#### NP asked

What would be wrong with the following scenario:

- Collect the WEEE and other waste together in 1 vehicle.
- Weigh the total in at Twyford
- Drop off the rubbish
- Weigh out at Twyford

The difference would be the tonnage to land fill. Then

- Drive round to the weighbridge
- Weight the WEEE in at Twyford
- Drop off the WEEE
- Weigh out at Twyford

The difference would be the tonnage to be recycled.

#### JH said

This would produce serious health and safety issues around traffic management. Lorries are not allowed in CA site.

#### JH suggestion

He requested that there be one vehicle for fridges and other WEEE. This would mainly include large WEEE and TVs etc.

## JR said

That by Twyford taking all fridges and WEEE from Brent there was a time saving by not taking the fridges to Ruislip. This is at least 1 hours saving in time for every load and an environmental saving using less diesel and reducing pollution to atmosphere.

#### NP said

Veolia had 7 vehicles for the collection on 7 villages. Changing the current system would cause logistical and environmental problems/issues.

#### JH said

All TVs must be handled with care so as not to break the screen. If the screen is broken they cannot be recycled.

## NP

Stated that there is no problem with fly tips as WEEE is already being sorted, stored at depot and then regularly taken to Twyford or Ruislip as WEEE.

There was approval from the meeting to initiate a pilot scheme whereby WEEE will be collected by a specific vehicle and other waste by another. It was appreciated that there will be drawbacks to this with 2 lorries possibly completing some special collections and this system may be seen as not environmentally friendly for this reason

## NP

Agreed to suggest the necessary arrangements for Veolia to initiate the pilot scheme for implementation by Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2007 to Thomas Paris for approval.

## IS suggested

The scheme be re-viewed weekly at the meeting attended by IS, CW, NP and TP.

#### JR

Stated that the re-view should also cover any administration problems and if any do occur then meetings between Viola Control and StreetCare IT should be held to resolve them.

#### IS

Thanked all for attending and thanked everyone for their input which has brought about a quick and workable practical solution to a problem that will result in increased recycling and a reduction to landfill.

## 6. Next Meeting

It was agreed to call any necessary future as and when necessary although the operation will be reviewed weekly.