The meeting commenced at 9.30 a.m. in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

The Mayor, Stuart Drummond (Community Safety and Planning Portfolio Holder)

Officers: Vicky Bosley, Democratic Services Officer

14. Management of Waste Sites in Hartlepool (Assistant Director, Regeneration and Planning)

Type of decision

Non-key, for information only.

Purpose of report

This report seeks to provide an update to the Portfolio Holder on the actions taken and the progress made by the multi-agency waste sites management group over the last twelve months.

Issue(s) for consideration by Portfolio Holder

The waste sites group was set up in 2010 in response to a growing number of problems associated with the increasing number of waste related sites being set up within the Borough. The purpose of the group was to bring together representatives from various agencies with an interest in waste sites in order to co-ordinate joint site visits, share information and co-ordinate appropriate action to tackle legislative breaches and on-site management issues. Waste sites had the potential to create significant on and off-site impacts on the public environment and in recent years a number of sites within Hartlepool had given rise to such impacts due to varying levels of on-site mismanagement and breaches of legislative control.
The agencies involved included representatives from:

- Hartlepool Borough Council
  - Economic Development
  - Legal Department
  - Planning Services
  - Public Protection
  - Waste and Environmental Services
- Cleveland Fire Brigade
- Cleveland Police
- Environment Agency

Joint multi-agency site visits were carried out on a regular basis, ensuring all waste sites within the Borough were inspected by the group at least once per calendar year. The group met on a monthly basis, to share information and to discuss issues arising on sites.

The report provided detail of the key actions and impacts of the past twelve month’s cases. The Portfolio Holder was requested to note the progress set out in the report for information.

**Decision**

That the Portfolio Holder noted the progress set out in the report.

The meeting concluded at 9.35 am

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