

ReLondon Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the ReLondon Board (London Waste and Recycling Board) held on 30 September at 12.00, held via Zoom.

Board Members Present

Liz Goodwin (Chair)
Chantelle Nicholson
Cllr Guy Senior
Cllr Krupa Sheth
Joe Murphy
Cllr Nesil Caliskan

Approved at ReLondon Board Meeting on 25 November 2021

Signature:
Liz Goodwin, Chair

Also Present

Wayne Hubbard (ReLondon)
Adam Leibowitz (ReLondon)
Sharif Rivera (ReLondon)
Pauline Metivier (ReLondon)
Ali Moore (ReLondon)
Antony Buchan (ReLondon)
Lamia Sbiti (ReLondon)
Andrew Dunwoody (GLA)

Welcome

Apologies

Apologies were received from Shirley Rodrigues.

Declarations of interest

No interests were declared over and above those previously recorded in the Board's standing register of interests.

Minutes of the previous meetings

Minutes of the meetings held on 26 May and 17 June 2021 were approved.

01 Governance & Administration (30/09/21-1)

The Board noted the approval of paper *WR 28/06/21 Back office restructure* by the written resolution procedure and the re-appointment by the Mayor of London of Liz Goodwin as his representative as Chair of the Board.

02 Chief Executive Officer's Report (30/09/21 - 2)

Project Dashboard

The Board reviewed the project dashboard as presented.

In addition to updates reported the paper, the following points were noted:

- Flats planning guidance: moved from green to amber because of a number delays.
- Commercial waste data: moved from grey to amber. There is activity but not yet a 'live' project. It will be large multi-stakeholder project but will remain on amber until funding has been secured.
- Training academy: moved from amber to green after being paused due to resource (personnel) constraints. Project has now been amended and is on track to finish and launch by January 2022.
- Jobs and skills in a circular economy research: moved from grey to green as consultants are currently being procured.
- London Recycles - London wide campaign: moved from amber to green as now on track with new timelines. Campaign will launch November after COP following feedback from the Board and other stakeholders.
- Food Wave: Moved from amber to green as someone has now been recruited to run the project.
- Love Not Landfill Partnerships: Remains amber as while sponsorship as been secured, there are problems with securing a venue for the pop up shop.
- Waste Composition Analysis: On amber as no boroughs are doing analysis at the moment. WH noted that this may be a reason to re-profile some of the Local Authority Support Budget.

NC asked about concerns over grant funding. PM reported that she was discussing the possibility of extending the ERDF project for a few months. WH said the priority would be to secure additional funding and sponsorship.

A query was raised over whether ReLondon grants issued were delivering on desired outcomes. WH noted there is a tension between supporting small, purpose driven, SMES and the larger SMEs. One could argue funding the smaller SMEs is not as effective, though our funding is more valuable to them. We are seeking to achieve a balance between the two.

The Board

- Noted the updates presented; and
- Approved the amendment of the Scheme of Delegated Authority presented at Appendix 4.

03 Business Transformation Team & Green New Deal (presentation)

LS gave a presentation on the work of the Business Transformation Team (slides available on request).

The Board raised queries about:

- The relative appetite for grants and advice services (both of which have received good levels of interest, but grants are particularly attractive to SMEs)
- Measuring impact of the work (tracking waste volumes avoided and CO2 savings, as well as economic resilience)
- Focus on construction (approximately 20% of SMEs in the programme are in construction)
- The possibility of pursuing commercial opportunities arising from the programme without distracting from core activities.
- Good representation of BAME and female led SMEs

04 Programmes Updates (30/09/21 - 4)

The Board noted the programme updates presented.

05 Any Other Business

WH reported the ReLondon now has a newsletter that is sent out to stakeholders, including London borough environment portfolio holders.

Part B Confidential business

04B Programmes Update (Part B) (30/09/21-4)

The Board noted the programme updates presented.

End 13.11