# WEST LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY

### AUDIT COMMITTEE

Report of the Treasurer and Managing Director

### West London Waste Authority Risk Register

#### SUMMARY

This report provides the Committee with details of the Authority's updated Risk Register.

# RECOMMENDATION(S)

The Committee is asked to:-

- 1) Note the content of the Risk Register (Appendix 1)
- 1. Introduction The Authority maintains a risk register which sets out the main risks to which the Authority is exposed and the actions management is taking to mitigate those risks. This is in line with good corporate governance.
- 2. Detail The Corporate Risk Register is a formal document that is reviewed regularly by risk owners and is a standard agenda item discussed at WLWA Officer meetings which are held every 4-6 weeks, where risks and actions are considered and updated routinely.
- **3.** The risks are grouped according to the widely used PESTLE framework political, economic, social, technological, legislative and environmental risks. Each risk is reviewed individually with risk owners taking responsibility for updating the register and highlighting significant changes and new risks. At the end of the document you will find a matrix which helps Officers to score individual risks in terms of their probability and potential impact should they crystallize.
- 4. The risk register has been reworked and updated to:
  - reflect findings of a recent internal audit (e.g. showing change from original score and highlighting planned actions)
  - improve clarity (e.g. providing better descriptions, colour coding)
  - reflect the commencement of full service (e.g. some risks have now passed)
  - provide a better grouping of risks (e.g. previously some risks were spread across a number of lines).

The risk register still retains most of its other features.

5. Appendix 1 provides the latest risk register which was updated at the latest Chief Officers' meeting. In overall terms, the risk register identifies 20 Red and Amber risks facing the Authority and the mitigating actions. 19 of the risks have been mitigated to a Green status and there is 1 risk at Amber status.

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- 6. Financial Implications The financial element of each risk is considered as part of the impact score. The higher the score the larger the potential impact.
- 7. Legal Implications There are no legal implications as part of this report.
- 8. Impact on Joint Waste Management Strategy The risk register crosses all policies within the Joint Waste Management Strategy.

**Policy 7**: The West London Waste Authority and constituent Boroughs will seek to provide waste management services that offer good value, that provide customer satisfaction and that meet and exceed legislative requirements.

**Policy 8**: The West London Waste Authority and constituent Boroughs will work together to achieve the aims of this strategy and are committed to share equitably the costs and rewards of achieving its aims.

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