JOINT WASTE DISPOSAL BOARD 26 MAY 2004 (4.00 pm – 5.05 pm)

Present: <u>Bracknell Forest Borough Council</u>

Councillor T Mills (Chairman) Councillor Mrs M P Ballin

Reading Borough Council

Councillor J Orton (Vice Chair)

Wokingham District Council

Councillor Mrs C A Ferris Councillor R Stanton

Apologies for absence were received from:

Councillor Maskell (Reading)

27. Minutes (Item 2)

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 11 March 2004 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

28. Declarations of Interest (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest in relation to any item on the Board's agenda.

29. Exclusion of Public and Press (Item 5)

RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, members of the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the consideration of items 6 and 7, which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information under the following categories of Schedule 12A of that Act.

- (7) financial affairs of a company;
- (9) terms proposed or to be proposed for a contract for the supply of services.

30. Invitation to negotiate Evaluation Report (Item 6)

The Board considered a report and other supporting documentation (containing exempt information) which set out details of the evaluation of the Invitation To Negotiate submissions from the companies participating in the Re3 Private Finance Initiative joint waste project. The Board was advised that the companies' submissions had been evaluated against the criteria which had previously been agreed. After consideration and discussion of the commercial and other details, the Board gave its endorsement to the next steps in the project.

RESOLVED that

- (i) invitation to negotiate evaluation report be approved; and
- (ii) the recommendations within the evaluation report be endorsed and the councils enter into a period of further analysis, clarification and negotiation with the waste project bidders.

31. Project Risk Assessment (Item 7)

A report containing exempt information set out in detail for the Board the assessment of the risks affecting the project, together with the mitigation measures that had been identified to address the risks. After questions in relation to the risk register, the Board agreed to note the report.

RESOLVED that the Project Risk Register and risk management measures established by the Joint Project Team, be noted.

32. Councillor Mrs Christine Ferris

The Board was advised that this was the last meeting that Councillor Mrs Christine Ferris would be attending as she was standing down at the forthcoming Wokingham District Council elections. The Board recorded its thanks to Mrs Ferris for her support and contributions at meetings over the last few years.

CHAIRMAN