

Environment Select Committee

Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 15 January 2008

Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

Waste Review

The Committee met on 19 November 2007 to agree the scope for its second review – Waste Management and Recycling. The aim of the review is to seek improvements in the efficiency and effectiveness of household waste collection and disposal services and improve recycling rates whilst maintaining/ improving customer satisfaction rates.

At a further meeting on 19 December 2007, the Committee took evidence from Dr Andrew Craig on the National Waste Strategy and the Joint Tees Value Waste Strategy. The Committee also agreed a detailed consultation plan for the review including a questionnaire in the January edition of Stockton News.

Timescale for Review

The Waste review is due to report to Cabinet in May 2007.

Monitoring

The Committee are due to receive a progress report on the implementation of the Cemeteries phase 1 review in January 2007.