

view on how to progress and to establish how such work is to be funded / resourced.

It was noted that to date the EA has carried out a considerable amount of work on the maps but have indicated that they are unable to put any further resources into this area of work. At the same time, the WAG indicated that they wish to continue this work and extend it on an all-Wales basis. As such, there is a need to consider the requirement to employ external consultants to continue the work.

The following was **agreed**:

- There is a need to further refine the maps and for this reason it is inappropriate to present any maps to the Member Forum;
 - A progress report be prepared and presented to the Member Forum along with the EA's 'written' report on the GIS Mapping Exercise. **Action:** GW / CM;
 - The WAG should undertake the required further work urgently (i.e. employ consultants to conclude the work). **Action:** SM / CO;
 - The RTG to provide the necessary input to establish the specification for the research project. **Action:** All.
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- **Progress on the work of the Regional Municipal Waste Group**

HB reported that the Regional Municipal Officers Group is awaiting a report from SLR regarding infrastructure requirements for the region.

The report not only looks at municipal waste but also considers commercial waste. The report may potentially provide a solution to what needs to be included in UDP's. A likely scenario will be in the longer term landfill will not be required but a short-term problem will exist.

It is important that this report be fed into the process at the earliest opportunity. **Action:** HB.

4. **Date of Next Meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting be held at 2.00pm Monday 1st November.

5. **Any Other Business**

CO referred to the circulated *Waste Planning Capacities and Infrastructure Development* paper. The importance of the information was emphasised and those who had not responded to the recent WAG questionnaire, were requested to do so.

CO raised the need for the Addendum to include planning criteria for hazardous waste treatment plants, which is a separate issue to the GIS exercise, which is aimed at landfills.

It was noted that via the planning process all authorities should aim to establish as much data as possible. There is perhaps a need to agree a protocol to achieve such an aim. It was suggested that such a protocol might exist in the POS. **Action:** SB to establish.

SM reported that consultants are to send out C&D Waste Questionnaire/Survey forms by mid-October.