

SOUTH WEST WALES REGIONAL WASTE ASSESSMENT AND PLAN
MEETING OF THE REGIONAL WASTE PLAN FORUM
Notes of the seminar held on the 31st January 2003, at 10.30am
Penllergaer Civic Centre

Present

Councillor P Palmer (Chair)	Carmarthenshire County Council
Councillor T Theophilus	Carmarthenshire County Council
Councillor K Evans	Ceredigion County Council
Councillor K T Rowlands	Bridgend County Borough Council
Councillor K F King	Bridgend County Borough Council
Councillor T D Morgans	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Councillor D Vaughan	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Councillor D Thomas	City and County of Swansea
Councillor B Hall	Pembrokeshire County Council
Councillor R R Hayes	Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority

Officers

Geoff White	Neath Port Talbot CBC
Ceri Morris	Neath Port Talbot CBC
John Flower	Neath Port Talbot CBC
Howell Beaton	Neath Port Talbot CBC
Alban Forster	SLR Consulting Ltd
Tony Yates	SLR Consulting Ltd
Eifion Bowen	Carmarthenshire County Council
Gareth Jones	Carmarthenshire County Council
Neil Bateman	Carmarthenshire County Council
Carol Williams	Pembrokeshire County Council
Dave Harries	Pembrokeshire County Council
Ifor James	Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority
Clifford Parish	City & County Of Swansea
Alison Thomas	City & County Of Swansea
Ruth Brown	Brecon Beacons National Park Authority
Bleddyn Jones	Ceredigion County Council
Graham Dorrington	Ceredigion County Council
Cathy O'Brien	Waste Strategy Unit (WAG)
Roger Cope	Bridgend County Borough Council
Stuart Ingram	Bridgend County Borough Council
Huw Roberts	Pembrokeshire County Council
Alun John Richard	CPRW
Audrey Evans	Environment Agency
Niall Reynolds	Environment Agency
Lee Evans	Arena Network
Richard Jones	WESA
A Adcock	Welsh Assembly Government

Apologies

Councillor A Lloyd-Jones	Ceredigion County Council
Councillor M Morris	Brecon Beacons National Park
Philip Marks	Cylch
John Cuddy	National Federation of Demolition Contractors
Angela Giddings	Farmers Union of Wales

The structure of the seminar was based on 3 items:

- Report back on the weightings;
- Review options for BPEO / SWMO Assessment (Stage 2 Report); and
- Agree options for BPEO / SWMO Assessment (Stage 2 Report).

Alban Forster gave a presentation on the above. A copy of the presentation was circulated and is therefore not repeated. Discussion ensued and the following points noted:

Weighting Exercise

GW suggested that the weighting exercise is loaded in the direction of environmental concerns and therefore may result in an element of double counting. Action: **AF** to investigate ways of resolving this.

It was noted that the exercise is a 'relative' ranking process in terms of performance and that different organisations will have different viewpoints. Action: **AF** to investigate the most appropriate way to allocate the weightings.

Options for BPEO / SWMO Assessment

HR raised the issue of existing commitments. The preferred option should come from an identification of what can currently be 'delivered' and the gap with national targets. The options should deal with the gap.

AF noted that the Strategic Assessment Report does take account of facilities that are likely to come on-stream. It was agreed that this issue be discussed further by the Regional Technical Group.

CP suggested that the targets in the options be quantified. **AF** to give consideration to include 'Wise About Waste' targets in the options.

The seminar was concluded by seeking agreement on the following:

- To remove option 0 at this stage: **Agreed**;
- To carry forward options 1-6: **Agreed**; and
- To move forward onto BPEO / SWMO assessment: **Agreed**.