Appendix 1(b)

HERTS WASTE PARTNERSHIP TOPIC GROUP

The Recommendations of the Herts Waste Partnership (HWP) Topic Group are:

- 1. The HWP should aim to increase and strengthen its role and influence to drive forward further progress by focussing on whole system costs as a way of driving up performance and driving down spend.
- 2. The HWP should focus on further reduction of residual waste as the priority and consider how joint working and a more unified approach to waste collection and disposal can help achieve this and reduce costs.
- 3. Further consideration should be given by HWP partners to maximising and increasing joint procurement activities and consortium arrangements. The HWP has a role in highlighting examples of authorities entering into combined collection arrangements who have retained autonomy over the standards and scope of the services in their areas.
- 4. Political leadership is essential to the success of the HWP. Further work, development and engagement of senior Members should be considered to encourage district/borough leaders and ward members to adopt a more proactive role in driving forward further improvements to waste collection and disposal.

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