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General Update		RL 12/11/15 - 08
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Summary
This paper presents an general update on non-programme specific Resource London activities.

Recommendation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note the updates.

Risk Management	
Risk	Action to mitigate risk
N/A	

Implications	
Legal N/A	
Financial Resource London has a total budget of £2.25 million for 2015/16 and an outline budget approved by the Partnership Board. However, spend will be fluid throughout the year on all workstreams and subject to changes depending on when projects are delivered and when boroughs come forward to take advantage of the offerings. The spend against forecast is therefore subject to variations.	
Equalities None	
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Supporting Report

Purpose of the paper
It presents a general update on no direct Resource London programme activity.

Report
Resource London communications Since April Resource London has had it own website www.resourcelondon.org This established a web presence for the programme and is designed as customer (rather than consumer/public) facing site. Resource London also now has a info@ email address which will be used for all generic mails and London-

wide consultation with London waste authorities.

Staffing

James McGowan the London Love Food Hate Waste (LFHW) Manager started on the 15 September. James is actually employed through the WRAP LFHW team but is based in the Resource London offices and jointly managed by the Resource London Head of Programme and Programme Area Manager Consumer Food Waste Prevention/Love Food Hate Waste at WRAP.

Defra meeting

Officers from Resource London and WRAP met with Defra's WRAP liaison team and other Defra waste policy leads on 16th October to update them on activity in London. The meeting was very positive and a future quarterly meeting schedule has been agreed.

Harmonisation

Officers are involved in national work being lead by WRAP on behalf of Defra and instigated by Rory Stewart MP (Parliamentary Under-Secretary Defra) looking at achieving consistency in household waste and recycling services. The working group which has met twice (plus a further meeting to define the scenario) is steering modelling work being completed by WRAP. The work is looking at options and mechanisms for achieving greater consistency in local authority waste and recycling services. This work has clear links with that of Resource London, specifically relating to the Recycling Guarantee.

Conferences

Officers have spoken at a number of conferences promoting the work of Resource London.

- LARAC – Beverley co-deliver a workshop on tackling recycling in flats and multiple occupancy properties
- Westminster Briefing seminar – Antony presented on Resource London
- Cevko – Antony presented on Resource London and integrated waste management in cities at the Cevko conference in Ankara in early October. Cevko is Turkey's largest packaging compliance scheme, the trip was all expenses paid by Cevko.

In addition Resource London has agreed to sponsor the Let's Recycle London Conference on 10 March . This will be the fourth year of sponsoring the London event – but the first year that it will be branded Resource London (rather than LWARB). This follows the launch of Resource London at this year's conference (in February). Resource London's sponsorship pays for one officer and one member. Places will also be available for all Partnership Board members. It is proposed that this year's conference focuses on consistency/harmonisation. More details will follow later in the year. NB: NLWA is holding Waste Prevention Exchange on Tuesday 16 February 2016 focusing on how behaviour change can be achieved via waste prevention activities at which Ali Moore is speaking.