

Report Title		Report RL 31/10/2016 - 09
Development and Innovation		
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Summary

This paper presents an update on local authority support activities relating to the Development and Innovation workstream in line with the Resource London 2016-17 programme delivery plan.

Recommendation

- To note development and innovation activity being undertaken by Resource London.

Risk Management

Risk	Action to mitigate risk
Resource London does not achieve recognition or traction with its support offering with London waste authorities.	Resource London is delivering a number of innovation projects, as well as training and upskilling activities.

Implications

Legal N/A

Financial

Resource London has a total budget of £2.4 million for 2016/17 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

Why the paper is being presented

To provide the Partnership Board with a progress report against programme output indicators.

Report

Format

Each work area of the LA support programme is detailed below. Each section is prefaced by a table showing the relevant output indicator(s) for that work area with a colour and letter coded (traffic light) progress update. The numbers indicate the meetings in 2015-16 to which these indicators will be reported.

Training and Upskilling

Output indicator	1	2	3	4
Deliver a minimum of three workshop / training opportunities / dissemination events on service and communications good practice	G	G		
Deliver two rounds of the Recycling Managers Training course	G	G		

Workshop

ICT in wastes management - RL in partnership with the North London boroughs held workshop on ICT in wastes management for London boroughs in July. The aim of the workshop was to provide boroughs with an (unbiased) understanding of the ICT innovations currently on the market covering: bin weighing technology; route optimisation and fleet optimisation; real time tracking and reporting; and bin fill rate sensors. The workshop explored benefits and limitations for each topic; the main suppliers; practical working examples; and to consider if an informal ICT networking forum or similar would be useful to boroughs. Case studies were presented by Westminster City Council, Enfield and Islington.

From discussions in the workshop, a site visit to Newham Council is being arranged by RL for borough officers to observe their in cab technology.

RL will publish the key information and discussion points on the resources section of the website.

Love Your Clothes – A LA workshop was delivered on 14th July to brief boroughs on the revised campaign branding, website, strategy and activity plans for the coming year. There was attendance by 14 boroughs with the workshop delivered by the LYC national campaign manager. The workshop was the pre-briefing to the reuse and repair quarter textile workshops (see the communications and behaviour change paper).

Recycling Managers Training course

University of Central Lancashire (UCLan), on behalf of Resource London, delivered the CIWM accredited Recycling Managers Training course 21-22

June 2016. This was attended by 14 delegates from 14 different London boroughs. Feedback from attendees was very positive.

Delegates have the opportunity to undertake an assignment after attending the course. Successful completion of the course assignment gives you a university certificate (with UCLan) in Waste and Resource Management at level 7 which can be used towards a postgraduate qualification. Seven attendees from the June course have shown interest in signing up for this.

The next two day course is scheduled for November 2016. Each delegate pays £125 towards the cost of running the course. Officers are confident spaces will all be taken.

Research and Innovation.

Output indicator	1	2	3	4
Manage the re-run of the 2020 Routemap on 2014-15 data	A	G		
Deliver a minimum of two research projects, where relevant working with LEDNET or Waste Network Chairs. Projects to include work to understanding the scale and impact of recycling contamination and development of a contamination cost calculator and the Domestic Rented Sector	G	G		

Routemap to 2020

Resource London has commissioned a re-run of the Routemap to 2020 on 2014-15 waste data. The second iteration runs a number of nuanced scenarios and is informed by real time local authority contractual positions (based on intelligence gathered during 2015-16). Output of the model will be presented to the Partnership Board at the meeting.

In addition the model also provides individual borough results. Officers presented the 2013-14 Routemap to LEDNET in June and there was a very positive reception. Borough specific results from the new Routemap will be used to engage with individual authority directors of environment.

Domestic rented sector research

LEDNET and Resource London are co-funding a project to investigate the opportunities for improving waste management practices within the domestic rented sector. Eunomia Research and Consulting were appointed to deliver the project, which is being managed through a project board chaired by Sue Harris, Executive Director at London Borough of Kensington and Chelsea and Director at Hammersmith and Fulham, and LEDNET representative. The project board includes representation from: Resource London; LB Lambeth; Liverpool City Council, representing Core Cities; LB Newham; National Landlords Association; Southern Housing Group and ARLA. The LGA have also been briefed on the project and a follow up meeting will be held following the 19 October project board detailed below.

Phase 1 (completed 18 May) consisted of a facilitated workshop with the project

board to discuss potential ideas for action and to form ideas on possible tools and mechanisms to improve waste management in the domestic rented sector.

Phase 2 reported back on 15 September. Interventions explored included local authority enforcement, licencing schemes, the role of tenancy agreements and better communication between councils, landlords and their tenants. The outputs show that there is no 'silver bullet' and what is needed is a range of locally relevant interventions delivered collaboratively by a number of stakeholders. The key findings from the project were presented at the LARAC conference on 13 October, and were very well received with a lot of national interest.

The final project board meeting is scheduled for 19 October which will formalise the project output and toolkit. A further verbal update will be given at the Partnership Board meeting.

Cost of contamination toolkit

Resource London, in partnership with LEDNET, commissioned Anthesis Consulting to develop a toolkit to aid boroughs to assess the true cost for them when contamination occurs in the domestic recyclate stream.

The toolkit was developed with a working group consisting of representation from RL, LARAC, LEDNET, ESA and boroughs. It was then tested by borough officers representing a variety of collection systems. The final version will be with RL by the end of October, due to be launched in November.

Dense Urban Recycling Project

All projects have now been rolled out. The monitoring and evaluation phase will begin and results are anticipated late autumn/early winter.

PART 2 – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

This section is considered confidential under article 18.3 of the London Waste and Recycling Board Order (2008) as it contains commercially sensitive information.

Recommendation

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2020 Routemap

<p>The second iteration of the 2020 Routemap runs a number of nuanced scenarios and is informed by real time local authority contractual positions. The modelling finds that based on current service trends and performance London will peak at a c.42% recycling rate by 2020 – but that this is dependant on authorities adopting various service changes within the next 18 months. The new Routemap will be presented at the meeting.</p>
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Further information

Appendix A – new 2020 Routemap presentation
