



**COMMUNITY COUNCIL LIAISON SUB - COMMITTEE -  
21ST SEPTEMBER 2011**

**SUBJECT: COLLABORATION ON WASTE DISPOSAL**

**REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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1. There has been no progress with Prosiect Gwyrdd since the last time this was considered by the Sub-Committee. There are still 3 bidders as follows:
    1. Veolia at Bowlease Common, Llanwern, Newport
    2. Viridor at Trident Park, Cardiff
    3. Covanta at Brig y Cwm, Merthyr Tydfil
  2. The ISDS (Invitation to submit detailed solutions) stage closed on 8th August 2012 and the ISDS submissions are currently being evaluated. A decision on the ISDS submissions is likely to be made in the winter (December 2011) with the result that these 3 will then become 2. The final 2 tenderers will then be asked to submit to final tenders (the CFT or Call for Final Tenders stage) and competitive dialogue will then be closed. The project will then select its preferred bidder in the summer of 2012.
  3. The application by Covanta for an Energy from Waste Facility at the site named Brig Y Cwm was submitted to the Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC), which is responsible for the determination of the application because the scheme is deemed to be a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project within the definitions of the Planning Act 2008.
  4. Local Authorities in whose areas applications for such projects are submitted are invited by the IPC to produce a Local Impact Report (LIR). The IPC must have regard to the LIR in deciding applications. Officers presented a LIR to the Council's Planning Committee that met on 7th September 2011 and the Committee resolved to accept it. A copy of the LIR has been sent to the IPC. The IPC will continue to examine the application in accordance with the statutory process (in which Caerphilly Council is involved) and the timetable which they have set. The examination process is scheduled to run until February 2012.

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