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London Waste and Recycling Board: Stakeholder Engagement in 2009

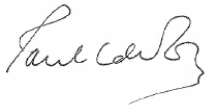
The London Waste and Recycling Board is a statutory board set up in July 2008, under the Chairmanship of the Mayor of London, with the objective of promoting and encouraging the production of less waste, increasing the proportion of waste that is re-used or recycled and the use of methods of collection, treatment and disposal of waste which are less harmful to the environment.

Part of the Board's remit is the administration and allocation of the London Waste and Recycling Fund, comprising £60 million from government (over three years starting 2008/09) and up to £24 million provided by the London Development Agency over the period to 2011/12. The Board, at its second meeting on 11 December 2008, reviewed and approved an outline Priorities Plan that set out the mechanism for identifying priorities and the delivery approach for the life of the Fund: a summary paper is attached. The full Plan presentation and further details about the Board, its membership and its constitution can be found on our website www.lwarb.gov.uk.

The Priorities Plan is being developed into the Board's Business Plan 2009/10, which will provide more details of how we are addressing our priorities through distribution of the Fund. This will be reviewed and approved at the Board's next meeting on February 12. A key element will be the engagement and involvement of stakeholders – who range from local government to technology providers, and include all sectors with an interest in developing and improving waste management within London. We are writing to you as an individual/organisation with an interest in London's waste, to improve awareness and seek active engagement to help in the implementation of our strategy.

Please note the indicative funding priorities on page 3 of the summary: we would like you to consider whether you have any potential projects that could fall within these areas where the Board could provide financial support. The Board's 2009/10 Business Plan (in draft) will be available in early February on our website. It will identify funding criteria and following its adoption we will be seeking outline expressions of interest. Those submitted by 1 April 2009 will be reviewed at the Board meeting on 5 May, with closing dates approximately six to seven weeks before later Board meetings in September, December and February 2010. Members of the LWaRB team will be available to advise on content, format and criteria for proposals after 12 February.

The Board considers that the waste generated in London should be viewed as a resource and therefore as a business opportunity. This is a chance for all who have an interest in improving the handling and treatment of waste to be involved, and we look forward to your participation in 2009.



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