

ANGUS COUNCIL

COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE – 3 MARCH 2015

SURPLUS LAND - RESTENNETH

REPORT BY HEAD OF TECHNICAL AND PROPERTY SERVICES

ABSTRACT

This report advises the Committee that a site measuring 0.72ha or thereby at Restenneth Landfill site in Forfar is surplus to Angus Council's requirements and can be made available for the potential private sector development of an Anaerobic Digestion Plant. The site referred to currently houses the concrete pad used in conjunction with Angus Council's composting operations.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee approves

- (i) that the site shown outlined in black on the attached plan at Appendix 1 and measuring 0.72 ha or thereby be declared surplus to the requirements of Angus Council.
- (ii) that the Head of Technical and Property Services markets the surplus site on the open market inviting offers for lease from developers interested in constructing and operating an Anaerobic Digestion Plant.
- (iii) that as a condition of any lease a replacement concrete pad must be provided at the developers cost at an appropriate location on the Restenneth site and to an agreed specification.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT/COPORATE PLAN

This report contributes to the following local outcomes contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-2016:

- We have a sustainable economy with good employment opportunities
- Communities that are sustainable.

3. BACKGROUND

The Service Manager, Regulatory and Protective Services has established that there is an opportunity for a developer to construct and operate an Anaerobic Digestion Plant on a surplus site at Restenneth Landfill site. When complete, it is envisaged that the plant will have the potential to accept separately collected food waste from Angus Council. To ensure transparency any arrangement in relation to the Council's food waste would be subject to a full competitive tendering process prior to any contract being awarded.

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services has examined the proposal in detail and is satisfied that it is a land development transaction and therefore outwith the scope of procurement regulations.

4. PROPOSALS

It is proposed that the site shown outlined black at Appendix 1 and measuring 0.72 ha or thereby be declared surplus to the requirements of Angus Council and advertised for lease on the open market with the condition that the use of the site is restricted to the construction and operation of an Anaerobic Digestion Plant

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Angus Council will receive an annual rental from the lease of the site.

NOTE: No background papers, as detailed by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to a material extent in preparing the above report.

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List of Appendices:

- Appendix 1 - Plan identifying surplus site at Restenneth Landfill site.

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