

# Statement of Common Ground between London Borough of Lambeth and Royal Borough of Greenwich covering strategic waste matters

## 1. Parties involved

- London Borough of Lambeth
- Royal Borough of Greenwich

## 2. Strategic geography

### **LB Lambeth**

Lambeth is an inner London borough with a northern boundary on the River Thames and situated mainly between the boroughs of Wandsworth and Southwark. It covers an area of approximately ten and a half square miles. It is surrounded by seven other London Boroughs - LB Southwark; LB Bromley; LB Croydon; LB Merton; LB Wandsworth; City of Westminster and City of London.

### **Royal Borough of Greenwich**

The Royal Borough of Greenwich is located in south east London with a population of more than 250,000 residents. Greenwich has borders with LB Bexley, LB Bromley and LB Lewisham and has the longest continuous riverfront of all London boroughs. It contains two major Centres; Eltham and Woolwich as well as historic Greenwich with its World Heritage Site.

## 3. Strategic waste issues

Lambeth is a net exporter of waste and is planning for net self-sufficiency for net self-sufficiency for LACW, C&I and C&D waste and a target of 95% beneficial use of excavation waste.

Both parties agree the following thresholds to indicate 'strategic' waste movements:

- CD&E: 5,000 tonnes per annum
- LACW/C&I: 2,500 tonnes per annum
- Hazardous: 100 tonnes per annum

RB Greenwich receives strategic amounts of construction, demolition and excavation (CD&E) waste exports from Lambeth.

Both parties agree the following figures generated by the Waste Data Interrogator.

Waste exports from Lambeth to Greenwich 2013-2017

Site	Waste	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Victoria Deep Water Terminal	CD&E	21,654	18,679	32,063	59,179	12,961
Charlton Recycling Facility	CD&E	0	0	0	0	2,562

Source: Waste Data Interrogator 2013-2017

Victoria Deep Water Terminal is protected by its Safeguarded Wharf designation and both parties agree that there are no known planning reasons why it cannot continue to handle similar amounts of waste exports from Lambeth.

Charlton Recycling Facility is not one of the listed waste sites in the RBG Core Strategy, but as a site with a permit from the Environment Agency, it is considered to be an existing waste site which is safeguarded by the London Plan and RBG Core Strategy. However, such sites can be developed for alternative uses provided that the satisfactory relocation of the waste site or re-provision of the maximum throughput elsewhere in London can be demonstrated. The Charlton Recycling Facility site is currently subject to a planning application, reference 19/3456F. It is therefore not possible to guarantee that the site will be able to continue to handle similar amounts of waste exports from Lambeth.

#### 4. Governance arrangements

Both parties agree to monitor waste movements through Authority Monitoring Reports and engage again if these change significantly from the current trend.

Both parties agree to engage again if there are any significant operational changes to facilities receiving waste exports from Lambeth.

#### 5. Signatories

Both parties agree that this statement is an accurate representation of matters discussed and issues agreed upon.

Signed: 

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Position: Cabinet Member for Planning, Investment & New Homes

***London Borough of Lambeth***

Signed: 

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