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## Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee

13<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Report of Councillor Richard Cleaver,  
Cabinet Member for Property and  
Public Engagement

### Update in respect of the construction of the Waste Depot, Turnpike Close Grantham

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#### Purpose of Report

This report provides an update on the construction of the new Waste Depot at Turnpike Close, Grantham.

#### Recommendations

**The Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to note the current progress on the construction of the new Waste Depot at Turnpike Close, Grantham.**

#### Decision Information

Does the report contain any exempt or confidential information not for publication?	No
What are the relevant corporate priorities?	Effective Council
Which wards are impacted?	Earlesfield Ward

#### 1. Implications

Taking into consideration implications relating to finance and procurement, legal and governance, risk and mitigation, health and safety, diversity and inclusion, safeguarding, staffing, community safety, mental health and wellbeing and the impact on the Council's declaration of a climate change emergency, the following implications have been identified:

### ***Finance***

Budget approval of £8.8m has been given for this project by Council 28th September 2023 (£8m) and 29th February 2024 (£800k) and the ongoing financial updates are being presented to the Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Council approved a revenue contribution of £500k on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025 in order to meet the mobilisation and fit out costs of the new facility. The Committee is asked to monitor this budget in addition to the construction budget.  
*Completed by: Richard Wyles, Deputy Chief Executive and s151 Officer*

### ***Legal and Governance***

- 1.2 There are no significant governance implications arising from this report, which is a progress update for noting on the Waste Depot project.

*Completed by: James Welbourn, Democratic Services Manager*

## **2. Background to the Report**

- 2.1 The Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee (FEOSC) has received an update at each meeting on the new Waste Depot project at Turnpike Close, Grantham. This report is the sixth of the project updates the Committee will have received following the report to the Committee at its last meeting in February 2025.
- 2.2 Works have continued to progress on schedule following commencement on site in October 2024.
- 2.3 The following programme summary was presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> April Officer and Member Project Board meeting. There has been no further change from the previously reported timeline.

The most recent programme is outlined below:

<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Project Programme</b>
<b>Cabinet Approval</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
<b>Value Engineering Period</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> April – 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
<b>Enter into NEC4 Professional Services Contract</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
<b>Progression of Stage 4 Design</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> June – 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2024
<b>Design Evaluation, Completion and legal preparation.</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> August – 24 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
<b>Construction Contract Award</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
<b>Contractor mobilisation period</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> October 2024 – 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
<b>Construction Period commences</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
<b>Targeted completion date</b>	7 <sup>th</sup> October 2025
<b>Mobilisation Period</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 – 25 <sup>th</sup> November 25
<b>Operational Go-live</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> November 2025

- 2.4 The above table shows that work is progressing through the outlined construction period. Works are progressing consistently with the timeline outlined in the master construction programme with a target construction completion date of 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025.
- 2.5 Works to discharge any pre commencement planning conditions are now complete and confirmed with any statutory consultees, with focus now shifting to discharge of any construction phase planning conditions prior to occupation.
- 2.6 Drainage and main building foundation excavations have now been completed, along with the erection of the main building and store steelwork frame. Works are now ongoing to install the roof covering on the main building with roof eaves and guttering to then follow.
- 2.7 Core drilling is ongoing for the main electrical incoming supply to the building along with installation of the gas proof membrane (Radon) to the main building floor.
- 2.8 Some minor delays have been incurred due to weather conditions but should not affect the overall programme schedule as outlined in Appendix A – Project Dashboard. The dashboard also outlines that works continue to progress on programme and within the approved project budget.

- 2.9 During the next month works planned include decking installation to the first floor of the main building, commencement of solar PV installation on the roof, installation of lighting columns to the perimeter of the site and ground floor slab installation to the office area of the main building.
- 2.10 Relocation and mobilisation of the existing depot to the new location will then follow completion of the construction period. This is anticipated to occur over a four-week period allowing for an operational go live date of mid November 2025. A project subgroup with end users has now been set up and will provide update to the main project board on mobilisation planning and programming.
- 2.11 The mobilisation group has had terms of reference prepared and will meet regularly to prepare and progress for the mobilisation phase, identifying any potential risks and reporting on any potential issues to the main project board.
- 2.12 Further to Members' requests, a site visit for Members is being arranged for the morning prior to FEOSC in July to visit site and observe the progress to date.

### **3. Key Considerations**

- 3.1 This report sets out the latest position with regards to this project and the next stages in order to deliver the overall scheme. It is important the Committee is kept updated as the scheme progresses.

### **4. Background Papers**

- 4.1 The previous update reports can be accessed here:

[Agenda for Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Thursday, 27th June, 2024, 2.00 pm | South Kesteven District Council](#)

[Agenda for Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Wednesday, 17th July, 2024, 10.00 am | South Kesteven District Council](#)

[Agenda for Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 17th September, 2024, 10.00 am | South Kesteven District Council](#)

[Agenda for Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 26th November, 2024, 2.00 pm | South Kesteven District Council](#)

[Agenda for Finance and Economic Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 18th February, 2025, 10.00 am | South Kesteven District Council](#)

### **5. Appendix**

## 5.1 Appendix A – Project Dashboard as of 25<sup>th</sup> April 2025