DELEGATED DECISION NOTICE
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SUBJECT MATTER
Delegated authority is required to agree any further proposed minor changes to the South London Waste Plan Development Plan Document arising from the Examination in Public, and to agree to any additional public consultation, if requested by the Inspector.

DECISION
To delegate authority to the Executive Head of Planning and Transportation, in consultation with the Executive Head for Planning, Economic Development and Housing to agree additional minor proposed changes to the South London Waste Plan DPD which may arise during the Examination, and subsequent public consultation if deemed necessary.

REASONS FOR DECISION
The document is scheduled for Examination in Public from the 12th to the 19th of July. It is anticipated that further minor changes to the document may be required, either by consideration of the four Boroughs of the Joint Waste Partnership during the Examination, or by instruction from the Inspector.

Following the Examination, the Boroughs may also be instructed by the Inspector, or may consider it prudent, to undergo additional public consultation.

It is these potential additional minor changes, and the need for additional public consultation that require delegated approval.

MATTERS TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION
The Planning Advisory Group on 12 October 2010, the Executive 2 November 2010, and Full Council 7 March 2011 resolved to grant:

(i) That the Proposed Submission Version of the South London Joint Waste Plan DPD is submitted to the Secretary of State, understanding that this will be preceded by a statutory six-week pre-submission publication period;

(ii) That powers are delegated to the senior officers of the Waste Plan Planning Officer Group to make minor amendments to the Proposed Submission version of the South London Joint Waste Plan DPD;

(iii) That following the six-week pre-submission publication and prior to the submission of the South London Joint Waste Plan DPD, the Executive Head for Planning and Transportation in consultation with the Executive Member for Planning, Economic Development and Housing is given delegated authority to agree a schedule of any minor amendments to the Waste Plan as necessary and that any schedule of amendments is also co-ordinated and agreed across the four partner boroughs through the Joint Waste DPD Member Working Group;
(iv) That if substantial amendments are considered necessary, these will be brought back to The Executive across the four boroughs for consideration and recommendation of any amendments to ensure submission of the South London Joint Waste Plan DPD within the necessary timescales. Approval was not sought for the potential additional minor changes which may come about during the examination, nor for an additional public consultation exercise. The purpose of the DDN is to ensure that if necessary, these additional minor changes, and the public consultation exercise, can be undertaken in a timely manner, and to ensure that the document is adopted as soon as is practical.

It is anticipated that the Inspector’s Report will be published in September and there will be a notification period following the Report’s publication for interested parties to comment on the Inspector’s recommended changes. It is then proposed to incorporate the Inspector’s changes and produce a revised South London Waste Plan which will proceed through the partner boroughs’ committee cycles to adoption in December 2011.

There are no direct financial implications from this report. Any consultation costs that may arise will be funded from existing budgets.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS
It is a statutory requirement for Local Planning Authorities to prepare plans for the sustainable management of waste. The South London Waste Plan is being prepared in accordance with relevant legal guidance.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
The cost of the work programme will be met from the 2011/12 Revenue Budget for Strategic Planning.

Agreed By:  Councillor Jayne McCoy
Date:        14-07-11

Agreed By: Stephen Lowe (Head of Finance, Environment & Leisure)
Date:        14-07-11

Agreed By: Daniel Ratchford (Strategic Director, Environment & Leisure)
Date:        13-07-11

Background Papers:  None.