

Item No.06

## South West Wiltshire Area Board 9 February 2011

## **Chairman's Announcements**

## **Waste Consultation Results**

Those of you who attended area boards during the summer will recall the presentations about the council's proposal for changes to Wiltshire's Waste collection and recycling service.

The consultation finished on 20 August 2010. We would to thank all the area boards for their support throughout the consultation period.

There is a report on the full results of the consultation that can be seen on

<u>http://www.intelligencenetwork.org.uk/environment/</u>. There is a link from the council website. Or if preferred, hard copies can be made available.

In brief over 10,000 people responded and just over 70% were in favour of the proposal. However the results show that support was varied across the county, with some areas showing a lower level of support.

A report on the consultation was considered by cabinet on 19 October 2010. Cabinet resolved to go ahead with the proposal, subject to the detail in the Comprehensive Spending Review. In approving the proposal cabinet acknowledged that support levels varied and that major and targeted communications will be essential to inform and reassure those residents that have concerns.

The proposed service changes are planned for summer 2011, and residents will be kept informed throughout the process. We hope that, as with the consultation, you will continue to work with us as we develop the detailed design of the services and the programme for service commencement. We will be putting together a plan for communicating the service change roll out which will be relevant for the communities of the individual area boards. We will share this with you all in due course.