

Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration

Written question from Cllr Steve Hastings to the Cabinet Member for Environment, Heritage and Waste

- 1) Can you please update us on the opening of the Energy Recovery Facility which it was stated following my last enquiry that the new target was April which has now lapsed?

The Energy Recovery Facility Commissioning process identified issues with some elements of the plant and the decision was made to replace these elements entirely to ensure the ERF will be fit for purpose following hot commissioning and the final Acceptance test.

Hot Commissioning has recommenced, and the plant is burning non-recyclable waste. The 30 day continuous test required to pass and receive an 'Acceptance Test Certificate' is scheduled to commence in June with a July Acceptance and Hand over date.

As with all major projects the council and its technical advisers are closely scrutinising the iterative tests and are ensuring that the Island's new ERF is rigorously examined and tested prior to handover and will then be subject to performance tests following acceptance to ensure performance is maintained.

All construction delay and additional works costs are the service providers risk. The council is delivering this project within the procured capital budget.

- 2) Can you please update us on the number of subscribers for Green Garden Waste and has there been any effect due to the 33% rise in prices announced in the budget?

There are currently 10296 live subscriptions. 347 customers did not renew their subscriptions for a range of reasons, including moving to a new house, passing away, and price changes. The target figure for subscriptions was 10,000.

The HWRC remains free for all household on the Island to dispose of their own garden waste.