

**APSE WASTE & RECYCLING MEETING  
THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY 2009  
CHRISTIAN CENTRE, GLASGOW ROAD, PERTH**

		<b>Action</b>	<b>Timescale</b>
1.	<b>Welcome and Introduction:</b> The meeting was chaired by Councillor George Regan, Dundee City Council. Councillor Regan opened the meeting and thanked Perth and Kinross Council for hosting the event.		
2.	<b>Apologies:</b> Apologies were received from Stewart Ball, Dundee City Council; George Cunningham, Clackmannanshire Council; Alistair Black, Aberdeenshire Council; Ken Harkin, South Ayrshire Council; and Trevor Jones, North Ayrshire Council.		
3.	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting:</b> The minutes of the meeting of 18th September 2008 held in Strathclyde Country Park were approved and there were no matters arising.		
4.	<b>Presentations:</b> Presentations were given from David Goodenough, Assistant Operations Manager (Recycling and Refuse Collection) of Perth and Kinross Council on "Health and Safety Management Systems Benefiting Local Authorities"; and from Charlie Devine, Programme Manager Recycling of WRAP on "The Downturn in the Markets for Recycling".  Both presentations were excellent and a good question and answer session ensued.		
5.	<b>APSE Secretariat Report:</b> Pat Taggart reported that due to public holidays the next meeting of the Group would be 17th April 2009, the venue is still to be determined.  The Annual "Fleet, Waste and Ground Services" Seminar is to be held at Aviemore on 5th - 8th May 2009 at the Coylumbridge Hotel. He advised the Group he is currently seeking topics and speakers for the seminar and invited the membership to contact him with any suggestions  PT gave an update on APSE from a national perspective, particularly Governance Neighbourhoods and Service Delivery. Members can access all services through the APSE website		

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5. cont	<p><b>APSE Secretariat Report (cont):</b> PT reported on the Performance Networks Award Ceremony 2008. There were 2 winners from Scotland - Clackmannanshire Council and Glasgow City Council.</p> <p>PT then introduced Garry Mooney who has recently replaced Alistair Fildes.</p> <p>Health and Safety - PT gave an update and reported that next meeting is scheduled for 12th March 2009 when 2 Health and Safety Inspectors will give a talk on hand and vibration syndrome (HAVS).</p> <p>PT also reported that due to the high profile of Health and Safety within our Groups, consideration is being given to the formation of a Health and Safety Working Group. He also advised that a one day seminar on Health and Safety is currently being considered and further details of this will follow.</p>		
6.	<b>AOCB:</b> No AOCB was raised.		
7.	<b>Date and Venue of Next Meeting:</b> 17th April 2009, venue to be arranged.		