

**Minutes of the PRG meeting held on 17 February 2009 at  
HM Treasury**

**Present**

Gordon McKechnie (Chair)  
Jo Fox  
Peter Livesey  
David Locke  
Simon Oliver  
Miranda Lingard  
Nick Joyce  
Ross Campbell

John Enright (DEFRA)  
Amar Qureshi (DEFRA)  
Ben Pryn (DEFRA)  
Huw Roberts (HERY)  
Steve Button (HERY)

Nichola Luu (Secretariat)  
Howel Jones (PUK)  
James Lee (PUK)

**Apologies**

Danny Daniels  
Kate Cohen

**1. Conditionally Approved Projects**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Authority</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Comments</b>
DEFRA	Greater Manchester	Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority PFI project	<p>In respect of PUK's note to PRG, regarding the GMWDA project, PRG has agreed that it would be appropriate to award additional PFI credits to this project to meet increases in financing costs only, resulting from the current economic situation, subject to the following conditions:</p> <p>(1) That no material changes are made to the banking terms prior to/at financial close</p> <p>(2) That an appropriate application for PFI credits is made by the Authority and that the award of PFI credits is made in line with CLG requirements.</p> <p>(3) That the Final Business Case is submitted to the PRG secretariat and PUK for review.</p> <p>(4) That the PRG secretariat receives confirmation that DEFRA is content with the legal advice/opinion on</p> <p>(a) procurement risk of challenge and</p> <p>(b) state aid</p>

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**2. Pending**

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DEFRA	Kingston Upon Hull City Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Hull and East Riding of Yorkshire Councils' Waste PFI	PRG has not yet reached a conclusion pending clarifications from DEFRA and the procuring authorities.