

# Members Monthly *July 2010*

## News

### 'Pay as you throw' plans dumped by coalition



Plans to let English councils charge or reward people according to their waste have been thrown out by Eric Pickles, pictured left, the new Communities Secretary.

The plans, aimed at cutting landfill, were described by Mr Pickles as "insulting". The government plans to back rewarding people for recycling instead, he added.

The move removes the prospect of charging households who put out the most non-recyclable rubbish out. The move was in part a response to the UK's necessity to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill by nearly two-thirds by 2020 in order to meet EU targets.

"You should treat people with respect instead of having a bunch of bin inspectors, bin police," Mr. Pickles said in a BBC News Interview. He added that incentivising people was the quickest way to increase recycling levels, which he said would be badly needed if the UK was to meet its target of becoming "one of the green economies of Europe".

### CIWM Futuresource Conference

Futuresource, Europe's leading international conference and trade fair on sustainability, took place on 15-17 June at London's ExCeL centre. The 3 day event, jointly organised by the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management and the Environmental Services Association, saw nearly 7,500 people attending from over 52 countries worldwide.

Short seminars were also available, with a keynote address from the UK's new Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Caroline Spelman MP, who provided delegates with one of their first chances to hear the new coalition government's plans towards environmental policy.



For more information on Futuresource 2010, please check their event [website](#)

## Diary

### BCA Presentation Lunch, 12th July, City of London

The 2009/2010 Building Cleanability Awards scheme culminates with a prestigious Presentation Luncheon on Monday 12th July in The Great Hall of London's famous Guildhall.

To reserve your place at the event, please contact the BCA by [email](#), [online](#), or [post](#)

### Asset Skills, Virtual Academy Days, Leeds and Manchester

Asset Skills' new facilities management apprenticeship programme will be launched this summer, with events in Leeds on the 20 July and Manchester on the 21 September.

If you would like to register your interest in attending either of these events, please email [Tom Orton](#) or call the Virtual Academy on 0844 822 2525.

### UKHA Summer Ball, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, London

The UKHA will be celebrating their 25th Anniversary with a summer ball at The Landmark Hotel in London. Join them as they mark this milestone in style

Further information is can be obtained by contacting the National Chair -[Ian Hughes@ukha.co.uk](#)

### BICSc Golf Day, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, Warwickshire

BICSc are holding a Golf Day at the picturesque [Forest of Arden Golf Course](#) on 23rd September. Tickets are priced at £60 with discounts available for group bookings, while Willie Thorne is due to attend to sprinkle some stardust over the proceedings.

For further details please email [BICSc](#)