Waste Working Group Update, May 2025

The ADEPT Waste Working Group met on 20 May for part 1 of a 2-part series of meetings focussed on Decarbonising Waste. The group heard from:

- DESNZ on the planned inclusion of EfW into the Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS);
- DEFRA on the early work of the Circular Economy Taskforce and how this may drive changes in the economy/waste stream;
- Waste management company 'Suez' on the fossil content on municipal waste, likely carbon costs and the influence councils may have on their waste; and
- The LGA on councils' finances, the likely cost impact of ETS and proposals for how Government might best address this.

Part 2 of the Decarbonising Waste series is planned for 4th June, 2-4pm on MS Teams, where the Waste Working Group will consider the implications for local authorities and agree how best to influence policy and support ADEPT members.

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