

Council – 17 November 2021

Urgent Question in the name of Councillor Gunawardena

At Cop 26, Mr Entrecanales, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Acciona, the only company in the running to build the new incinerator in Edmonton (the 'North London Heat and Power Project or NLHPP) is quoted as saying that "the massive oversizing of the [Edmonton] plant is something that is beyond our control. It's a specific issue of the plant. About the waste-to-energy concept, you would probably agree with me that it's a transition mechanism — maybe not in London, that is a debatable argument."

Whilst acknowledging the decision on the procurement process for the new incinerator is due to be made by the NLWA board on 16th December and not Enfield Council, given it is a debatable argument, has the leader requested Enfield's two representatives on the board of the NLWA demand that any decision on the procurement process be postponed, pending a broad, inclusive consultation with affected communities in Enfield to ensure community consent for the new Edmonton incinerator as it currently stands - London's sole or premier incinerator?