EXECUTIVE - 11 SEPTEMBER 2013

REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTARY INCOME BUDGET FOR INCREASED RECYCLING CREDIT INCOME REPORT OF DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE (COMMUNITY DIRECTION)



WARDS AFFECTED: ALL WARDS

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Executive of the increase in income from recycling credits, and to seek Executives agreement to have a supplementary income budget of £40,000 approved.

2. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

That Executive approve the provision on a supplementary income budget of £40,000 for recycling credit income.

3. BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

The Council receives recycling credits from Leicestershire County Council for each tonne of recycling generated. These payments are made to reflect the reduction in cost to the County Council in landfill disposal costs. Due to improvements in the recycling services in recent years, recycling has increased and the forecast income for 2013/14 is £975,000 against a budgeted income of £933,500.

This forecast is based upon weights of recycling collected last year, and recycling rates can vary dependent on resident's participation and the weather (a wet summer would result in more green waste being generated).

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [PE]

Taking into account, the previous year's income levels (2012/13 £992,900), together with a rate increase from £47.10 in 2012/13 to £48.51 per tonne of waste for 2013/14, combined with our current income levels, from a finance point of view, we are comfortable with the forecast addition income levels and believe that forecast to be prudent.

We therefore request that these additional funds to be added to General fund balances to be used at the discretion of Council.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS (AB)

Recycling credits are paid under the terms of S52(1) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990, which provides that a Waste Disposal Authority (the County) shall make payments for waste retained for recycling to the Waste Collection Authority (HBBC) based on cost saved in not being required to dispose of the retained material.

6. CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

The trade waste collection service contributes to the cleaner greener neighbourhood's outcome.

7. CONSULTATION

No consultation undertaken for this report.

8. RISK IMPLICATIONS

It is the Council's policy to proactively identify and manage significant risks which may prevent delivery of business objectives.

It is not possible to eliminate or manage all risks all of the time and risks will remain which have not been identified. However, it is the officer's opinion based on the information available, that the significant risks associated with this decision / project have been identified, assessed and that controls are in place to manage them effectively.

The following significant risks associated with this report / decisions were identified from this assessment:

Management of significant (Net Red) Risks		
Risk Description	Mitigating actions	Owner
Recycling rates reduce during the remainder of the year.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Caroline Roffey

9. KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS

Recycling collections are available across the Borough via kerb side collections and bring sites.

10. **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

By submitting this report, the report author has taken the following into account:

- Community Safety implications
- Environmental implications
- ICT implications
- Asset Management implications
- Human Resources implications
- Planning Implications
- Voluntary Sector

Background papers: None

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