

**REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET FOR REFUSE AND  
RECYCLING BINS  
REPORT OF DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE (COMMUNITY DIRECTION)**



**WARDS AFFECTED: ALL**

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1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To request Executive approve the provision of an additional £36,000 capital funding to purchase additional refuse and recycling bins.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 That Executive approve an additional £36,000 capital funding to purchase additional refuse and recycling bins.

3. **BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT**

- 3.1 Current demand for new and replacement wheelie bins and recycling caddies is ahead of what was forecast and additional funding is required to ensure we have an adequate supply of bins and caddies to meet demand to the end of the financial year.
- 3.2 This is a demand led budget so is the best estimated forecast based on current knowledge/distribution rates. This forecast is based on bin losses, bin damage, and how fast developers build new houses. In particular there is high demand for recycling caddies from residents who have previously mixed paper and card with other material in the main body of the bin.

4. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [SJE]**

- 4.1 A £36,000 supplementary budget is requested for the purchase of new wheelie bins to cover the needs of additional properties and replace damaged / lost bins. It is proposed that this capital expenditure is funded by use of the Waste Management Reserve. This supplementary budget would require Executive approval as per the Financial Regulations.
- 4.2 The Waste Management Reserve has been created from previous year under spends to support future resource pressures, particularly to fund increase requirements in service delivery created by new housing developments. As at 31st March 2014, the balance on the Waste Management Reserve was £262,865 and no transactions have occurred to date in 2014-15.
- 4.3 Subject to approval by Council 1st July 2014, it is proposed to increase the Waste Management Reserve by £100,000. There are also plans to make a contribution to reserve of £26,000 and a transfer out of (£35,000) in 2014-15 to leave a balance of approximately £354,000 as at 31st March 2015. Therefore, there are currently sufficient resources available to fund the £36,000 supplementary for wheelie bin purchases.

5. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS [EC]**

- 5.1 None arising from paragraphs 2 and 3 above.

6. CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Refuse and recycling bins are essential to the efficient delivery of clean neighbourhoods

7. CONSULTATION

7.1 Not applicable to this report.

8. RISK IMPLICATIONS

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

8.2 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.

8.3 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
Insufficient refuse and recycling bins to meet demand. Long delivery time for bins.	Supplementary budget requested early, and order for additional bins to be placed promptly	Darren Moore

9. KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Wheeled bins offer the most efficient collection system across the Borough. Smaller bins are available to lower occupancy households, and assisted collections are available to those who need assistance to manoeuvre the wheeled bins.

9.2 No service change is required.

10. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 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

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Background papers: None  
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