



1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 In accordance with financial procedure rules to obtain approval for budget changes for income not realised in respect of replacement wheeled containers (wheelie bins).

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That Executive approves a virement of £35,000 in 2015/16 to reduce the income budget for the provision of wheeled containers and increase the income budget from trade waste.
- 2.2 That Executive approves a virement of £35,000 in 2016/17 to reduce the income budget for the income for the provision of wheeled containers and increase the income budget from trade waste.

3. BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

- 3.1 An income budget of £35,000 was introduced in 2015/16 for replacement wheelie bins where residents damage bins (due to negligence).
- 3.2 Self-damage (negligence) is difficult to evidence other than by fire damage. To date, only one instance of self-damage to a bin has been reported and paid for (damage by hot ashes).
- 3.3 Based on current results, the forecast budget will not be realised. To fund the forecast income deficit, it is proposed the additional income generated from trade waste services is used to offset the unrealised income. Fees and charges will be reviewed for 2016/17 together with associated income budgets accordingly.
- 3.4 In addition, the policy to charge for replacement bins will be reviewed by the Portfolio holder for Street Scene Services. Any changes will be reported to Executive as part of fees and charges reports.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [IB]

- 4.1 For 2015/16 additional net trade waste income of £35,000 is expected. The additional pressure of £35,000 can therefore be funded from existing resources. A virement to reduce the income budget for replacement bins by £35,000 and an increase in the income budget for trade waste by £35,000 is therefore required.
- 4.2 From 2016/17 additional net trade waste income will continue. After allowing for the £35,000 net additional income in 2015/16 a net additional £15,000 is expected. However the additional income has already been identified as part of the officer savings target. Therefore a virement for £35,000 is also required in 2016/17. The balance of £15,000 will be included as part of the officer savings target for the 2016/17 budget setting process.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS (JB)

5.1 None

6. CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

None

7. CONSULTATION

7.1 Not applicable

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
Costs of administering charges are greater than the sum collected and/or are politically sensitive	Review of charges by Waste Manager for consideration by the Executive lead for Street Scene.	Darren Moore

9. KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Not applicable

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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