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EXECUTIVE

13 February 2018

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### WHEELED BIN AND CONTAINER POLICY

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#### Report of Director (Environment and Planning)

##### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek Member's approval for proposed minor amendments to the Council's Wheeled Bin and Container Policy.

##### 2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That Members approve the revised Wheeled Bin and Container Policy attached at appendix 1 incorporating the amendments detailed at 3.4 of this report.

##### 3. BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT

- 3.1 The Council first introduced wheeled bins in 2004 to facilitate efficient storage and collection of household waste. In April 2012, a new dry-recycling wheeled bin service was introduced replacing the bag and box collection system to make it easier for residents to recycle and help the Council achieve its recycling targets.
- 3.2 The Council currently has a contract until 1/4/18 with Palm Recycling to collect, retain and recycle kerbside dry recycling materials. Executive agreed that on expiry of this contract the Council would bring the dry-recycling service in-house following an independent value for money review of the service options available taking into account:
1. the removal of dry-recycling credit payments by the Disposal Authority; and
  2. current recycling market conditions.
- 3.4 It was agreed that a comingled dry-recycling service would be operated in-house from 2 April 2018 whereby all materials currently collected are placed in the bin (replacing the existing dual-stream service which requires the use of an inner caddy inside the bin to store paper and cardboard). The materials collected will remain unchanged but will be reviewed in accordance with recycling market changes. Currently black plastic and film will not be collected as is the current position. Whilst reviewing the policy, the opportunity has been taken to provide additional minor

clarifications/changes where necessary. The main changes made to the policy are summarised below:

- Confirmation that a comingled dry-recycling service will be introduced from 1 April 2018
- Removal of reference to the internal caddy and confirmation paper/card to be stored with other materials inside the bin
- Revised wording for dealing with bins left on the public highway under the section 46 procedure.
- Additional details added under “Assisted Collection” service noting a bag and box service will be provided where it is not safe to provide a wheeled bin service

#### 4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [CS]

- 4.1 Costs as a result of the policy change will be met from existing resources.

#### 5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS [AR]

- 5.1 None arising directly from this report.

#### 6. CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The recycling service contributes to the corporate plan aims of Place:
- Keep our borough clean and green
  - We will reduce our impact on the environment by cutting waste and encouraging recycling.

#### 7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1 Scrutiny Commission held a review of waste collections on May 11 2017.

#### 8. RISK IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 There are no significant risks arising directly from this report. The risks associated with changing the dry-recycling service were contained in the report to Executive dated 28 June 2018 entitled Dry Recycling Collections and Fleet Procurement and are detailed below.

Management of significant (Net Red) Risks		
Risk Description	Mitigating actions	Owner
Reputation / poor customer service – failure to effectively communicate service change to residents / customers	Develop and effectively implement a communications strategy	Caroline Roffey
Recycling performance (including risk of contamination)	Continue to promote effective recycling by residents including the minimisation of contamination	Caroline Roffey
Financial – failure to increase resources to meet additional costs resulting from LCC direction and housing growth	Accurate budget forecasting for MTFs and budget setting	Caroline Roffey
Financial – failure to control costs resulting in new collection system costing more than budgeted	Strong financial management	Darren Moore

9. KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The Council offers an assisted collection for occupancies where residents are physically incapable to present their bins due to infirmity or disability.

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
- Procurement implications
- Human Resources implications
- Planning implications
- Data Protection implications
- Voluntary Sector

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Background papers: Appendix 1: Wheeled Bin and Container Policy–revised January 2018

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