

REPORT TITLE - WHEELED BIN AND CONTAINERS POLICY
REPORT OF CHIEF OFFICER: BUSINESS, CONTRACT & STREET
SCENE SERVICES



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1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To seek approval for the implementation of the Wheeled Bin and Container Policy

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

That the policy be approved and implemented with immediate effect.

3. **BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT**

Since the introduction of wheeled bins for the storage and collection of household waste in 2004 there have been many amendments and improvements to the waste collection services and the way that they are carried out. Services covered in the policy include:-

- Collection of recyclable materials
- Collection of biodegradable garden waste
- Collection of non recyclable household waste

The aim of this policy is to clarify how the services are carried out, to encourage and assist residents to reduce the amount of waste that they produce and enable them to maximise the amount of their waste which can be sent for recycling and composting.

The policy specifies the service standards and procedures for dealing with waste collection issues to ensure that residents are able to participate fully in the range of services available.

The policy also sets out the requirements on developers of new residential properties to:-

- Provide suitable and appropriate storage capacity to enable residents to participate fully in the waste collection services
- Finance the provision of waste collection receptacles for all new developments

A copy of the policy is attached at Appendix A.

4. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (TO)**

There are no financial implications as such arising from the Policy, however, the potential liability to pay for the bins of new housing developments is significant. (In excess of 2,500 new homes, in the next few years, as part of the new Sustainable Urban Extensions, with three bins per household at a cost of £20/bin).

5. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS (AB)**

S46 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 allows the Council to determine the kind and number of waste containers to be used at a residential property and require certain items to be put in certain containers. The proposed policy complies with the terms of the Act.

6. **CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS**

Cleaner and Greener Neighbourhoods

7. **CONSULTATION**

This Policy has been based on the public consultation that was carried out as part of the Waste Collection Review. Consultation has been undertaken with the Citizens Panel; Residents that have contacted the service during January to July 2010; Users of the Website; and residents responding to the Press Release; Staff; Borough and Parish Councillors, and Focus groups.

The survey generated 723 responses for the Recycling and Refuse service questions which were sent to both Citizens Panel Members and Service Users.

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.

There are no significant risks associated with this Policy as it simply captures current operating arrangements and feedback following consultation.

9. **KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Policy has been drafted based on responses to previous consultations and feedback from the Plain English Panel.

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: Street Scene Services – Value for Money Report 2011

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