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# <u>WILTSHIRE COUNCIL'S RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICE -</u> COMPLIANCE WITH THE WASTE REGULATIONS

### **Purpose of Report**

To:

- (i) Advise on the council's assessment of recycling collection systems to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 as amended by the Waste (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012.
- (ii) Seek decisions in accordance with the proposals.

#### Consultation

At the Cabinet meeting held on 21 July 2015 members considered a report which set out the process to be followed to achieve -compliance with the Waste Regulations. This described testing whether it is necessary to collect paper, glass, metal and plastic separately to increase the quantity of high quality material collected for recycling. It then set out the application of tests to establish if it is technically, environmentally and economically practicable (TEEP) to collect these materials separately. These tests were applied to the most economically advantageous tenders submitted for Lot 1 (provision of a materials recovery facility for managing dry recyclable material collected under Lot 5 and the design and build of two household recycling centres), and Lot 5 (waste and recycling collection services).

Further work has now been undertaken on the application of these tests and a further report was considered by Cabinet on 10 November. At the meeting Cabinet members resolved:

(i) To note the results of the application of the necessity and TEEP tests carried out to date on the tendered collection services, note that it is not environmentally or economically practicable to collect the four materials separately, and agree that further work should be done on the environmental practicability test to take account of air quality and the impact of the reprocessing of the recyclable materials.

- (ii) To agree that the Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning (Strategic and Development Management), Property, Waste and Strategic Housing will sign off the final report in accordance with the protocol for Cabinet Member delegated decision making, subject to the work carried out in accordance with the proposal above confirming that the system for collection of dry recyclables should be co-mingled using the blue lidded bin for all materials excluding glass which should be collected from the black box, and subject to there being no material objections raised.
- (iii) To agree that the system for collection of dry recyclables should be comingled using the blue lidded bin for all materials excluding glass, which should be collected from the black box.

#### Reason for Decision

- (i) To enable the council to determine the collection system for dry recyclable materials to be implemented from August 2017
- (ii) To demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 as amended by the Waste (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012
- (iii) To provide a robust audit trail of the application of the necessity test and technical, environmental and economic practicability tests to support the decision making process.

### **DECISION MADE**

#### I approve to:

- (i) note the process undertaken to assess compliance with the requirements of the Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 as amended by the Waste (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012 (attached in Appendix 1).
- (ii) note the application of the necessity and TEEP tests completed on the tendered collection services and note that the results show:
- (a) It is necessary to collect paper and glass separately in order to facilitate or improve recovery.
- (b) It is technically practicable to collect paper, glass, metals and plastics separately.
- (c) It is not environmentally or economically practicable to collect paper, glass, metals and plastics separately.
- (d) Of the modelled services, based on local circumstances,

collection of comingled recyclable materials from a wheeled bin with collection of glass stored separately in a box should result in recovery of the largest quantity of high quality recycling and is the most environmentally and economically practicable service to deliver in Wiltshire.

(iii) agree that from 1 August 2017 the system for collection of dry recyclables should be comingled using the blue lidded bin for all materials excluding glass which should be collected from the black box.

This decision was published on 22 December 2015 and will come into force on 31 December 2015.

### The following supporting documents are attached:

Report - SDSPW -05-15 including Appendix 1 - assessment of recycling collection systems to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011 as amended by the Waste (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2012

The following supporting documents are available from the officer named above: None

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