

Key Decision Details

Decision Name	GARDEN WASTE SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE
Date of Decision	18 July 2023
Decision maker	Cabinet The Cabinet have
Describe the Decision taken	<p>a) noted the risks associated with the proposal, both financially and reputationally, that have been highlighted within the report that may arise through emerging national waste policies and guidance, and changes to Cambridgeshire County Council's Waste Private Finance Initiative (PFI) Contract which require approval from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)</p> <p>b) agreed to the introduction of a household garden waste subscription service from 1st April 2024, as set out within the service terms and conditions attached as Appendix 2 of the report;</p> <p>c) agreed to changes to the Waste Collection Policies, relating to the introduction of the chargeable subscription household garden waste service as set out in Appendix 2 of the report;</p> <p>d) agreed that for 2024/25 the annual collection charge be set at £57.50 per first bin and authorise the Executive Councillor for Corporate and Shared Services in consultation with the Managing</p>

Director to review and confirm the currently proposed £30 for each additional bin to the maximum of 4 bins;

e) agreed to use the revenue generated by the chargeable subscription household garden waste service to fund the start-up project costs including service redesign, temporary staff resource, website redesign and implementation of associated IT systems (as set out in the financial model Table 3);

f) agreed that the existing non-chargeable household garden waste collection service will cease from 31 March 2024. Arrangements will be made during Q2 FY 2024/25 to collect any bins from households that do not wish to subscribe and wish to return them;

g) agreed to implement a robust communications campaign and incentivisation scheme to encourage subscription sign-ups and promote behaviour change for our residents in waste minimisation; and

h) agreed to complete a review of the impact of the introduction of a household waste subscription service on lower income residents.

What were the reasons for taking the Decision?

As detailed within the report.

What alternative options were considered and

As detailed within the report.

rejected?

**Conflict of interest
and dispensation**

**Is the decision a
Key Decision?** Yes

**Was the decision
included in the
Forward Plan** Yes

**Was the decision
subject to the
urgency
proceedings?** No

**List the background
papers to any
report considered
by the Decision
Taker**

**Person Making this
report** Liz Smith, Chief Officer
(Delivery)

**Decision will be
effective the day
after call-in expires.
Call-in expires on**

**Accompanying
Documents** Garden Waste Subscription
Service
Appendix 4 Equality-Impact-
Assessment