



REPORT TO INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE – 16 MAY 2019

TRADE WASTE CHARGES 2019/20

1 Recommendation

The Committee is recommended to:

1.1 Approve the revised Trade Waste charges for 2019/20 as detailed in this report.

2 Background/Discussion

2.1 Local Authorities have statutory duties placed upon them. In relation to waste there are three main aspects to this;

- 1) Litter Authority;
- 2) Waste Collection Authority (WCA); and
- 3) Waste Disposal Authority (WDA)

This report is only concerned with the duties of the WCA and the WDA as these are the aspects that relate to trade waste.

2.2 The duties of a WCA are set out in Sections 45-49 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 (EPA). With regard to the collection of commercial waste, there is no duty to collect the waste until the owner of the waste requests the authority to do so. The authority can make a reasonable charge for the collection and disposal of the waste collected unless it considers it inappropriate to do so. Guidance issued on 'The Controlled Waste Regulations 1992' (which implement Sections 45-49), in circular 24/92 section 31 states the following:

"It rests with individual authorities to determine what is in each case a reasonable charge. However, in terms of charging policy, it is the Secretary of State's view that the charge set throughout Great Britain for the collection of waste should be realistic and should have a direct relationship to the cost of providing the service. The overall aim should be to achieve full cost recovery. In the Secretary of State's view, therefore, the 1992 Regulations should have nil net implications for local authorities' expenditure and manpower."

The duties of the WDA are set out in Section 53 of the EPA. In short, the duties of the authority are to arrange the disposal of waste collected by the WCA.

2.3 The proposed charges in this report would cover costs incurred by the Council in carrying out the Trade Waste Service for 2019/20. For the financial year 2018/19, the Service did not recover the projected income budgeted for trade waste charges, this can be attributed to reduction in waste and recycling

volume collected from trade customers although the overall number of customers had not reduced significantly.

- 2.4 Tables below show comparisons of 2018/19 and proposed 2019/20 charges. Annual charges noted are for weekly collection of each bin size. Waste charges are inclusive of landfill tax and gate fee. VAT only chargeable where we are subcontracted to provide collections.

Annual charges	Waste 2018/19	Waste 2019/20	Recycling 2018/19	Recycling 2019/20
105L	£91.61	£101.53	£59.88	£63.08
140L	£122.15	£135.37	£79.84	£84.10
240L	£209.39	£232.06	£136.87	£144.17
330L	£287.92	£319.08	£188.20	£356.82
660L	£575.83	£638.16	£376.39	£396.47
820L	£715.43	£792.87	£467.64	£492.58
1100L	£959.72	£1063.60	£627.32	£660.78
1280L		£1237.65	£729.97	£768.90

Event charges (£15 min charge)

Container	Waste 2018/19	Waste 2019/20	Recycling 2018/19	Recycling 2019/20
140L	£3.60	£3.90	£3.07	£3.24
240L	£6.18	£6.68	£5.26	£5.55
1100L	£28.32	£30.61	£24.13	£25.41

Internal skip charges

Skip (internal)	Collection 2018/19	Collection 2019/20	Disposal & processing 2018/19	Disposal & processing 2019/20
Green waste	£121.14	£124.90	£31.00/t	£31.00/t
General Waste	£121.14	£124.90	£128.11/t	£131.73/t
Rent	£9.77/wk	£10.07/wk		

- 2.5 The annual charges comprise of collection costs as well as the external costs to the Service such as gate fee (waste), landfill tax (waste) and processing costs (recycling). The Service have managed to limit the increase in collection cost to within inflation but due to increasing processing and disposal costs the overall increase for waste and recycling has increased with waste increasing more due to the added cost of landfill tax.
- 2.6 This equates to an annual rise of £22.66 per annum (44p per week) for a standard 240L waste bin collection (most common collection container) and an annual rise of £7.30 per annum (14p per week) for a standard 240L recycling bin collection.
- 2.7 The Head of Finance and Monitoring Officer within Business Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report and their comments are incorporated within the report.

3 Scheme of Governance

- 3.1 The Committee is able to consider and take a decision on this item in terms of Section F.1.1d as it relates to Roads, Landscape and Waste Management.

4 Implications and Risk

- 4.1 An equality impact assessment is not required because the report concerns charging which does not have a differential impact on any of the protected characteristics.
- 4.2 There are no staffing implications but financial implications of not approving the revised charges would be that the Service would not cover the costs of running the Trade Waste service in full.
- 4.3 The following Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Corporate Level ACORP001 Budget Pressures.

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