

## 2016-17 TRADE WASTE FEES & CHARGES – ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO

### 1. ITEM FOR DECISION

As part of the annual review of budgets, a decision is required to agree any non-statutory fees and charges for the forthcoming financial year. This report seeks to ratify the Trade Waste and Recycling fees and charges for 2016-17 in order to notify customers going forward and to ensure budget expectations are realised.

### 2. POLICY FRAMEWORK

The decisions over fees and charges have to be within the constraints of the overall financial framework and the medium term financial plan. At the same time decision making regarding these needs to reflect a 'commercial' environment where there is a need to react swiftly and proactively to changing conditions. As a result, power to agree fees and charges or to make formal arrangements for the setting of fees and charges within a Portfolio is delegated to the Portfolio Holder.

### 3. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN

The Waste and Recycling Manager has implemented an appropriate internal consultation process for the prospective Trade Waste and Recycling fees and charges and the Portfolio Holder has been involved in the process or been notified of the outcome.

The Portfolio Holder decision has due regard to any issues which have emerged from consultation.

### 4. OPERATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

Following a discussion with the Portfolio Holder the majority of charges for Trade Waste and Recycling have increased marginally. There are numerous reasons for this rise including inflation, increased disposal costs and the recent internal HGV driver salary reviews.

However, to further encourage recycling and stimulate growth in the recycling sector, the cost of a roll of 36 recycling sacks has been reduced and work will be undertaken to investigate on line sales and associated delivery.

### 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Internal market research is continually carried out to assess our Trade Waste operation to ensure its competitiveness with the private sector and to maintain our commercial viability. It is accepted through experience and undertaking competitor analysis that the small price increase overall to customers is very unlikely to have an effect on the customer base. Equally, private sector waste collection companies will be increasing their prices and therefore our competitive advantage remains as is.

Due to the changing Trade Waste market, the commercial waste charges will be agreed with the Portfolio Holder on a regular basis during the year to meet the needs of the service.

**6. ENVIRONMENTAL, CRIME & DISORDER AND EQUALITY & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no implications arising directly as a result of this decision. Any impacts as a result of altered service delivery outcomes would have been reflected as part of the Portfolio Plan and budget setting processes.

**7. RECOMMENDATION**

That the fees and charges attached as an appendix to this report be agreed and adopted from the dates shown.

**Portfolio Holder's endorsement:** I agree the recommendation

**SIGNED:** **CLLR S V BEETON**

**Date:** **22 February 2016**

**Date Notice of Decision given:** **Tuesday, 23 February 2016**

**Last Day for call-in:** **Tuesday, 1 March 2016**

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# TRADE WASTE - PROPOSED CHANGES TO FEES AND CHARGES FOR 2016/17

			% Increase or Decrease	Review Indicator
<b><u>TRADE WASTE COLLECTION ONLY*</u></b>				
<b>Commercial Recycling</b>	<b>Clear</b>	Per Roll - 36 Sacks*	-7.4	/ /
<b>Commercial Refuse*</b>	<b>Green</b>	Per Roll - 10 Sacks*	3.7	/L /
Weekly Rate*	Chg Band	No. of Sacks		
	A	0 - 15	2.9	/L /
	B	16 - 30	3.2	/L /
	C	31 - 45	3.1	/L /
	Band D to K price on request. Estimate required			/L /
				/L /
<b>Commercial Glass Collection*</b>			2.6	/ /
<b>Recycling Stickers (Available to traders only * - to be used on the clear domestic sacks)</b>			-	/L /
<b>Commercial Paper Recycling Containers*</b>				
Weekly collection charge			1.1	/L /
Fortnightly collection charge			2.1	
Monthly collection charge			-	
<b>Commercial Cans and Plastics Recycling Containers*</b>				
Weekly collection charge			1.1	
Fortnightly collection charge			2.1	
Monthly collection charge			-	

\* No Vat charged on commercial waste as from 2011