



# DECISION RECORD

# Gloucester City Council

Publication Date

**Decision Of**

Cabinet

**Date of Decision**

11 October 2017

**Item No.**

7

**Title**

Improved Waste Collection Service

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Environment

**Report Author**

Meyrick Brentnall, City Improvement and Environment Manager

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

No

## DECISION:

**RESOLVED** that the implementation of a weekly bag collection be approved, using an animal proof sack for 2000 properties where there is no storage for waste, replacing the current purple bag service and expanding the service into all narrow access roads where collections have been problematic because of parked vehicles.

## REASON FOR DECISION:

The appearance of the narrow streets within the City Centre and its immediate periphery will be improved without containers for waste being left on them outside of the collection day. The street cleansing service will operate more efficiently without waste containers on the pavement, a small mechanical sweeper could instead be used to clean pavements in some areas. The staff resource can then be redeployed to the bag collection service.

In the last 12 months 25% of the complaints handled by the waste and recycling team related to issues associated with the purple bag service not being available to everyone that needs it, bins blocking the pavement, fortnightly refuse collections in areas where there is no storage for waste and collections not being made because of access issues in narrow streets. The waste consultation which took place prior to the new recycling service being implemented also indicated that these are the issues residents have with the current service provision.

Many of the streets highlighted for this service are Victorian terraces and are very narrow. Provision has been made in the past for cars to park on pavements and moving bins and recycling containers between parked cars without causing damage is extremely difficult and time consuming. Collection vehicles are in the street longer and roads are blocked. Many properties have numerous vehicles and on occasions it has been impossible to get a full size refuse truck into the street, resulting in multiple attempts to remove rubbish and high numbers of complaints from residents. This is not an efficient use of resource and is not expected to improve with households continuing to own numerous vehicles.

## ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

1. A weekly bag collection of 2 sacks, without an animal proof sack could be

implemented. This would save the initial outlay £6,000 on the cost of purchasing the animal proof sacks but would increase costs of street cleaning and adversely affect the street scene in these areas. It would also unreasonably place responsibility on residents to purchase refuse sacks.

2. An alternative option would have been an extension of the current purple bag service to cover all the 2000 properties in the city that have no storage for waste containers. To operate a full purple bag service would cost £23,200 a year and in addition would need a significant resource to deliver the sacks each month.
3. Collection points for refuse containers have been considered in streets where access is restricted, but due to the narrow pavements this option is not feasible.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

**SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):**

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Call-in Deadline: 19.10.2017

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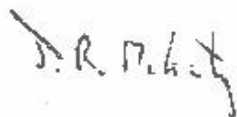
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Jon McGinty  
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<b>Decision Of</b>	Cabinet		
<b>Date of Decision</b>	11 October 2017	<b>Item No.</b>	8
<b>Title</b>	Better Business for All Initiative (Regulatory Advice)		
<b>Report Of</b>			
<b>Report Author</b>			
<b>Wards Affected</b>	All Wards	<b>Key Decision</b>	No

## DECISION:

### RESOLVED that:

1. The City Council participates in the Gloucestershire 'Better Business for All' (Regulatory Advice) Partnership.
2. Authority be delegated to the Head of Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Communities & Neighbourhoods, the Section 151 Officer and the Council Solicitor to approve the fees and charges in respect of the advice & support packages to be provided by the City Council as set out in the report and to enter into any necessary documentation to implement resolution (1) above.

## REASON FOR DECISION:

Supporting Better Business for All Initiative would allow many of our traditional regulatory services to build positive relationships with our local businesses and grow our reputation as supporters of growth.

Delivering business advice in a non-regulatory framework has the potential to deliver more sustainable improvements that would in turn reduce the amount of formal intervention by our Regulatory Officers in the future.

Although the fees and charges will be set on a cost recovery basis it is anticipated that the proposal has in the short to medium term the potential to generate an income for the Council without introducing additional resource to deliver it. This type of advice and support is currently offered by a variety of consultants and we would be simply providing business with another option should they wish to consider it within that market place.

## ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

Consideration has been given to providing such a service in isolation and not in partnership with other local Council's under the banner of The Growth Hub. This does not seem prudent however as The Growth Hub's existing business audience would allow them to advertise our services extensively. It will also be consistent with other Better Business for All partnerships across the country.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

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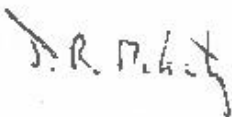
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**Item No.**

9

**Title**

Accommodation Review / Disposal of HKP Warehouses

**Report Of**

Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor David Norman MBE)

**Report Author**

Jonathan Lund, Corporate Director

**Wards Affected**

All Wards

**Key Decision**

Yes

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED** that:

1. Authority be delegated to the Corporate Director, in consultation with the Cabinet Members for Regeneration and Economy and for Performance and Resources, the Solicitor to the Council and the Section 151 Officer, to market the disposal of the Council's interest in the leases for the HKP Warehouses and to take all steps necessary to facilitate the disposal, including entering into discussions with third parties for possible changes of use of and alterations to the properties and expenditure on sales packs
2. The Corporate Director to report back to Cabinet following the marketing exercise for Cabinet to determine the future ownership of HKP Warehouses.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

Having agreed to pursue co-location in Shire Hall, a project to market the disposal of the City Council's long-leases on the HKP Warehouses is necessary. This report seeks authority to market the leases and invite bids and proposals and take all necessary related action to enable a further report to be presented analysing the responses and making recommendations on disposal.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

Previous reports to Cabinet have considered alternative options for accommodating the City Council's activities.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

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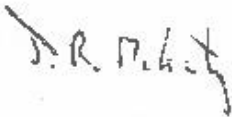
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<b>Decision Of</b>	Cabinet		
<b>Date of Decision</b>	11 October 2017	<b>Item No.</b>	10
<b>Title</b>	Local Development Scheme		
<b>Report Of</b>	Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning (Councillor Colin Organ)		
<b>Report Author</b>	Adam Gooch, Principal Planning Officer		
<b>Wards Affected</b>	All Wards	<b>Key Decision</b>	No

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED** that the revised Gloucester Local Development Scheme be adopted with immediate effect.

**REASON FOR DECISION:**

The Local Development Strategy represents an appropriate timetable for the preparation of both the Joint Core Strategy and the Gloucester City Plan, having regard to the Council's legal and regulatory responsibilities and the available resources with the City Council.

**ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

None, maintaining the Local Development Scheme is a statutory requirement.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):**

None

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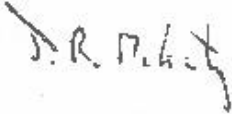
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### **CALL-IN PROCEDURE**

Call-in should only be used in exceptional circumstances, such as where Members have evidence which suggests that the Cabinet did not take the decision in accordance with the principles set out in Article 13 (Decision Making) of the Council's Constitution.

Call-in of a decision must be requested within five working days of the publication of an executive decision. The request must be communicated in writing to the Corporate Director of Resources by at least five Members of the Council.

Implementation of a decision that has been called-in is suspended until such time as it has been considered by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and re-considered by the Cabinet in light of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee's conclusions and any recommendations.

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