



DECISION RECORD

Gloucester City Council

Publication Date 10 October 2019

Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	09 October 2019	Item No.	7
Title	Waste and Recycling Proposals		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Environment		
Report Author	Meyrick Brentnall, City Improvement and Environment Manager		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	Yes

DECISION:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) an investment of £135,000 per annum be approved for the lease of an additional Refuse Collection Vehicle (RCV) and crew for use on the garden waste service to be reviewed after 3 years.
- (2) a one-off investment of £38,000 be approved to pigeon proof the recycling shed for the purpose of Health and Safety, quality of recycled material and longevity of operational equipment/building.
- (3) business cases are developed based upon the latest information and market prices and that, where the case is beneficial, delegated authority is given to the Head of Place, after consultation with the Cabinet Member for the Environment to make the necessary investments:
 - (i) a one-off capital investment for the upgrade of the existing aluminium/steel baler resulting in additional forecast income due to higher quality recyclates
 - (ii) an investment in additional baler capacity to cater for all mixed fibres (paper and cardboard) resulting in additional forecast income due to higher quality recyclates
 - (iii) a one-off investment for a communications campaign from November 2019 to market the benefits of recycling and the garden waste service our residents and promote the most effective ways of presenting waste for kerbside collection
- (4) the proposals around a glass screen contained in para 3.13 – 3.15 of the report are noted, and that if after further monitoring the situation there is a clear business case for implementation then the power to purchase the necessary equipment is delegated to the Head of Place.

REASON FOR DECISION:

There are a number of improvements that are proposed for the Garden waste and recycling service. The former service is considered at capacity and a decision will need to be made whether or not to expand the service or limit uptake by refusing new applicants or increasing the cost. The report suggests that for a variety of environmental, operational and long-term financial reasons an extra vehicle and crew are procured in order to accommodate the expansion of the service.

With regard to other capital improvements a clear business case has been put forward that will lead to increased revenue. They also have the advantage of making recycling simpler, ensuring markets are found for recyclates and improving the credibility of the service in the eyes of the public.

Finally, the communications plan will increase awareness and it is hoped increase engagement and therefore recycling rates. Apart from the environmental benefits there are financial ones to the authority in terms of increased recycle value and costs associated with residual waste.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

With regard to Garden waste we could suppress demand by raising prices and thus negate the need for a further vehicle and crew. This does present a reputational risk in that it is likely that substantial price increases would lead to public criticism. Generally, we could do nothing which would mean income would be lost and the service would deteriorate with resulting increase in complaints. There are also financial benefits to what is proposed that would not be realised.

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: 17 October 2019

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

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Decision Maker:

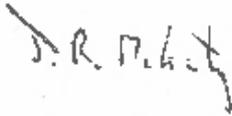
Councillor Paul James
Leader of the Council



Date: 09 October 2019

Proper Officer:

Jon McGinty
Managing Director



Date: 09 October 2019



DECISION RECORD

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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	09 October 2019	Item No.	8
Title	Gloucester Community Building Collective		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods (Councillor Jennie Watkins)		
Report Author	Anne Brinkhoff, Corporate Director		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the progress in delivering community building activities in Gloucester be noted
- (2) secondments and placements from Gloucestershire County Council (Adult Social Care) and the Constabulary (PCSOs) are welcomed
- (3) the investment by Barnwood Trust of 2 days/week for a period of 52 weeks to mentor and facilitate the current team, further develop the Collective and undertake fund-raising be welcomed
- (4) the next steps in the development of the Collective to become a community led organisation from October 2021 be noted
- (5) the increasing national interest in our community building work, including our involvement in Nesta's 'Upstream Collective', the Key Cities work and the Centre for Public Impact be noted
- (6) whilst plans for fund-raising are noted, the Council underwrite the salaries of the three City Council employed community builders until December 2020 amounting to £90,000 to provide job certainty and protect our investment in training and developing them as individuals and as a team
- (7) a Community Interest Company (CIC) for the purposes of community building be established, more specifically: -
 - a. that the name of this company is 'Gloucester Community Building Collective CIC'
 - b. that the City Council is the sole member
 - c. to note that the Leader intends to appoint the Council's Corporate Director (Partnerships) and Head of Communities as the sole Directors
 - d. that Cabinet nominate a charity in the event that the CIC is wound up

(8) authority be delegated to the Corporate Director (Partnerships) in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods to agree and enter into all necessary documentation to implement the above-mentioned recommendations, including the Memorandum and Articles of Association, Form CIC36 and Form INO1

REASON FOR DECISION:

Community Building is fundamentally inclusive. By setting up an independent CIC we give Community Builders the ability to work across the whole City with everyone, rather than being places within an organisation with specific objectives (inclusion, disability, health, etc).

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

Setting up a dedicated council team to deliver Community Building was considered which has been tried before. This approach does not have the independence required for community work of this nature and the risk is that communities will not engage with the Community Builders as they are seen as part of the Council

Setting up a company, wholly owned by the Council was considered, however, we do not consider that this would be viewed to be independent of the Council and it may still be unable to apply for some funding.

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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	DECISION RECORD		Gloucester City Council	
	Publication Date	10 October 2019		
Decision Of	Cabinet			
Date of Decision	09 October 2019	Item No.	9	
Title	Armed Forces Community Covenant Update			
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods (Councillor Jennie Watkins)			
Report Author	Ruth Saunders, Head of Communities			
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No	
DECISION:				
RESOLVED that work undertaken to support current and ex-service personnel as part of the Council's ongoing commitment to the Covenant be endorsed.				
REASON FOR DECISION:				
The Council are committed through the Gloucestershire Armed Forces Community Covenant to work in partnership and act together to honour the covenant and encourage support for the Armed Forces Community working and residing in the City and to recognise and remember the sacrifices that they have and continue to make.				
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:				
There were no alternative options for consideration.				
OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:				
None				
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):				
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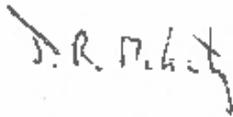
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CALL-IN PROCEDURE

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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