

## ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S MEETING

TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2014

### DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Environmental Services Portfolio Holder's Meeting held on Tuesday, 14 October 2014. Decisions made by the Portfolio Holder will be subject to call-in. Recommendations made to the Cabinet or to the Council are not subject to call-in. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Patrick Adams.

#### 1. NORTH WEST CAMBRIDGE - WASTE AND RECYCLING SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

**AGREED** the Shared Services Agreement between South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council for the collection of waste and recycling from the North West Cambridge development.

**DELEGATED** authority to sign the Shared Services Agreement on behalf of the Council to the Director of Health and Environmental Services.

**Other Options Considered:** To decide not to enter into the Shared Service Agreement with Cambridge City Council for the collection of waste and recycling from the North West Cambridge development.

**Reason For Decision:** Agreement of the Shared Services Agreement will not only satisfy the requirement of the S106 agreement but will also deliver the efficiencies of a single cross border waste and recycling collection service across the North West Cambridge development.

#### 2. POLICY AMENDMENT: WASTE AND RECYCLING SERVICE

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

##### AGREED

**A)** To amend the Council's policy in relation to assisted collections to "Assisted collection arrangements will be made on the grounds of disability, where there is a physical or mental impairment that has a substantial and long term effect on the ability to carry out normal daily activities."

**B)** To suspend the provision of additional green bins until the effects of the revised winter collections have been fully evaluated and a report brought back for consideration.

**Other Options Considered:** Agree or not agree the recommended policy amendments relating to assisted collections and requests for additional green bins. Or to suggest an alternative policy amendment.

**Reason For Decision:** The amended policies are considered necessary to ensure the continued provision of a high performing, cost effective waste and recycling services.

**3. HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIRECTORATE PRIORITIES 2015/16**

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

**AGREED** the emerging priorities for his Portfolio to be developed and delivered in the Health and Environmental Services Directorate Plan for 2015/16.

**Other Options Considered:** To shape and influence the development of these draft priorities into the final service plan.

**Reason For Decision:** These draft priorities refresh on-going work within the Directorate to implement changes and improvements set out in the 2014/15 Council's Corporate Plan, as well as technical matters raised by officers.

**4. FOOD SERVICE PLAN**

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

**APPROVED** the Environmental Health and Licensing Service Food Safety Plan 2014/15.

**Other Options Considered:** The Portfolio Holder could have accepted, rejected or amended the proposed plan. However, failure to adopt the plan would have left the Council open to criticism by the Food Standards Agency if they chose to conduct an audit.

**Reason For Decision:** The national Framework Agreement on Official Feed and Food Controls by Local Authorities requires that a Food Safety Plan be produced each year. This Food Plan demonstrates the continued commitment of Environmental Health and Licensing to support local food businesses to maintain high levels of food safety and so deliver high consumer confidence and success for their businesses.

