

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S MEETING

THURSDAY, 1 MARCH 2018

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Environmental Services Portfolio Holder's Meeting held on Thursday, 1 March 2018. 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. PROPOSED FEES AND CHARGES FOR HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES 2018/19

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

AGREED The proposed fees and charges set out in Appendix 1. The fees set for commercial Trade Waste are not publicised due to commercial sensitivity.

Other Options Considered: The Portfolio Holder had the option to:

- A) Accept the charges detailed in Appendix 1.
- B) Reject the charges detailed in Appendix 1.
- C) Amend the discretionary fees and charges detailed in Appendix 1. There is no ability to amend statutory fees.

Reason For Decision: Confirming the proposed fees and charges will contribute to the efficient and cost effective delivery of a range of council services that impact directly on people's safety and health.

Fees charged by competitors for trade waste are not readily available, therefore, by publicising our fees and charges for trade waste we allow an advantage to commercial competitors.

2. PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE THE CENTRE FOR DIET AND ACTIVITY RESEARCH WITH DATA TO MONITOR THE SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE FOOD ENVIRONMENT

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

AGREED the regular and systematic caching and sharing of data as requested by CEDAR, with analysis of this data to be made available to support policy development and with built in review periods of 12 month interval to allow the Council to benefit from the findings as the information is analysed and to approve continued data sharing.

Other Options Considered: The Portfolio Holder had the option to:

- (a) Approve, the regular and systematic caching and sharing of data as requested by CEDAR, with analysis of this data to be made available to support policy development and with built in review periods of 12 month intervals to allow the Council to benefit from the findings as the information is analysed and to approve continued data sharing,

- (b) approve the sharing of a sub-set of data outlined in this report, and/or vary the frequency which CEDAR would be required to provide a bulletin describing trends identified in the local food environment,
- (c) refuse the CEDAR data sharing request giving reasons.

Reason For Decision: Given the evidence linking the food environment with health outcomes, the marked increase in hot food outlets in South Cambridgeshire over the last three year period warrants further monitoring and investigation.

CEDAR is a UKCRC Centre for Excellence in Public Health Research; sharing our data with CEDAR will enable us to benefit from world class research into our local food environment, and for other LAs to learn from our experiences and lessons learned.

The nature of this research requires cached data which can be used to understand both spatial and temporal trends in food access, hard to piece together retrospectively but possible with systematic collection of data held by this Council, as outlined in paragraph 12.

CEDAR has agreed to provide updates on data analysis at intervals of 12 months and on request to support policy making.