

# Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee



10 April 2014

## Garden Waste - Update

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### Joint report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive and Terry Collins, Corporate Director, Neighbourhood Services

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#### Purpose of the Report

- 1 To provide Members of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee with background information on the review of the garden waste collection service.

#### Background

- 2 Members will recall that at the meeting of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on the 26 September 2013 a Cabinet report was considered detailing the proposals for consultation on the introduction of a charge for the collection of garden waste from the kerbside.
- 3 It was agreed by members at that meeting that the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee would receive at a future meeting an update in relation to feedback from the consultation exercise together with details of the garden waste collection scheme to be introduced.
- 4 I attach a copy of the Cabinet Report which was considered at the meeting on the 19 March 2014. Arrangements have therefore been made for the Head of Projects and Business Services to attend the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on the 10 April 2014 and present the attached report to Members.

#### Recommendations

- 5 That the Members of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee note and comment upon the information provided in the attached report.

#### Background Papers

Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Report – 26 September 2013.

Cabinet report 18 September 2013.

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## **Appendix 1: Implications**

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### **Finance**

The financial benefits of the scheme were outlined in 18<sup>th</sup> September 2013, Review of the Garden Waste Collection Services

### **Staffing**

There is likely to be a requirement for some temporary staffing during the set up period both operationally and administratively. It is also likely that there will be a reduction of collection vehicles and associated staff once the routes are fully designed and bedded in. It is planned that this will be achieved without the need for compulsory redundancies

### **Risk**

A Risk Assessment has been produced and a reportable risk has been identified. Appendix 2

### **Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty**

An Equality Impact Assessment has been developed in relation to this review and is available at Appendix 3

### **Accommodation**

None

### **Crime and Disorder**

None

### **Human Rights**

None

### **Consultation**

Consultation results are included in this report.

### **Procurement**

None

### **Disability Issues**

Assisted collection arrangements currently associated with the service will be maintained.

### **Legal Implications**

The Garden Waste Collection Service is a non-statutory service.