



ADUR & WORTHING
COUNCILS

Key Decision [No]

Ward(s) Affected:N/A

JOSC Working Group on the review of the Adur & Worthing Refuse and Recycling collection service - Post September 2019

Report by the Director for Digital & Resources

Executive Summary

1. Purpose

1.1 This report sets out the recommendations from the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JOSC) Working Group which was created as part of the JOSC Work Programme to review the implementation of the Adur and Worthing new alternate weekly refuse and recycling collection service.

2. Recommendations

2.1 That JOSC consider the report and recommendations from the Refuse and Recycling Working Group and refer the recommendations to the Joint Strategic Committee (JSC) for consideration in due course.

3. Context

3.1 As part of its Work Programme, JOSC agreed to set up a Working Group to review the implementation of the alternate weekly refuse and recycling collection service and to review the recycling strategy and what is being done

to improve recycling rates to meet the recycling target. The Working Group had the following terms of reference:-

1. To review the introduction of the new alternate weekly refuse collection scheme when early data is available. This will include a review of data relating to fly tipping and the experience of local residents since the introduction of the new scheme.
2. To review the recycling strategy and what is being done to improve recycling rates to meet the recycling target.
3. To question the Executive Members for Environment (Adur) and Digital and Environmental Services (Worthing) and Senior Council Officers on the new alternate weekly collection scheme and the recycling strategy and plans to increase recycling.
4. To consider if there is a need for any recommendations to be put to the Joint Strategic Committee/relevant Executive Members to help with the introduction of the new refuse collection service and to improve recycling rates.

Outcomes expected - A better understanding of the introduction of the new alternate weekly refuse collection service and current recycling policies and to assess if any recommendations need to be made to improve the service and recycling rates.

- 3.2 The Working Group has now completed its work and produced the attached report and identified some recommendations which it considers can help improve in the delivery of the new refuse and recycling collection service.

4. Issues for consideration

- 4.1 JOSC is asked to consider the report and recommendations from the Refuse and Recycling collection service Working Group set out in the Appendix to this report and agree to refer them to the Joint Strategic Committee for further consideration in due course.

5. Engagement and Communication

- 5.1 The JOSC Working Group that has reviewed the implementation of the new alternate weekly Refuse and Recycling collection service has held discussions with the relevant Executive Member for Environment (Adur) and

the Executive Member for Digital and Environmental Services (Worthing) as well as relevant Officers.

5.2 JOSC Chairmen/Vice-Chairmen and Senior Officers have also been consulted on the report.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no direct financial implications relating to this report.

7. Legal Implications

7.1 Under Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council has the power to do anything to facilitate or which is conducive or incidental to the discharge of any of their functions.

7.2 Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 provides a Local Authority to do anything that individuals generally may do (subject to any current restrictions or limitations prescribed in existing legislation).

Background Papers

Any papers referenced in the Working Group report.

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Sustainability & Risk Assessment

1. Economic

Matter considered and no direct issues identified.

2. Social

2.1 Social Value

Matter considered and no direct issues identified.

2.2 Equality Issues

Matter considered and no direct issues identified.

2.3 Community Safety Issues (Section 17)

Matter considered and no direct issues identified.

2.4 Human Rights Issues

Matter considered and no direct issues identified.

3. Environmental

Matter considered. The new alternate weekly refuse and recycling collection service has achieved increased recycling and a reduction in waste being collected.

4. Governance

Matter considered. Recommendations from the review will need to be presented to the Joint Strategic Committee.