

REPORT TO: HOUSING, DUNDEE CONTRACT SERVICES AND ENVIRONMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE - 25th APRIL 2011

REPORT ON: CHANGE OF DISPOSAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRADERS

REPORT BY: HEAD OF WASTE MANAGEMENT

REPORT NO: 198-2011

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise the Committee of a revised method of trade waste recycling/disposal for traders from the current system of disposal at our recycling centres to Baldovie Recycling Plant.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that approval be given to modify the arrangements for the disposal of trader's waste as detailed below.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 An estimated saving of £7,000 in transport costs is expected to be achieved as a result of implementing the proposed changes.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 The department currently offers a system of disposal to traders whereby they purchase a 'tip-ticket' which allows them access to dispose of their waste at any of the departments three recycling centres. This system adversely impacts on the quality of service provide to the general public on each of the three sites.
- 4.2 It also requires the Department to transfer all of the accumulated waste from each of the sites to the processing/recycling plant at Baldovie costing the department an estimated £7,000 per annum in transport.
- 4.3 The current tip ticket system is also based on an average weight basis, and traders can often pay less or more than the actual weight delivered.
- 4.4 It is therefore proposed that the current system is replaced by allowing traders direct access to the waste recycling and treatment plant at Baldovie. This will reduce the number of vans using the recycling centres and improve the quality of the service to the general public.
- 4.5 The recycling plant at Baldovie is equipped with a weighbridge this will allow a more accurate system of payment for traders and allow tonnages to be more accurately recorded by the department
- 4.6 Registered Charities who have free disposal at the recycling centres will also be directed to the plant at Baldovie, they will however still receive the free disposal service.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

5.2 There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Director of Finance and Assistant Chief Executive have been consulted in relation to this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None

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