Agenda Item 8

Household Recycling Charter: Compliant Collection Service

Title: Household Recycling Charter: Compliant Collection Service

Meeting: Executive

Date: 15 January 2019

Submitted By: Director of Development Services

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the outcome of the funding application to Zero Waste Scotland and also the Deposit Return Scheme consultation.

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 The Executive is asked to:-
 - (1) note the outcome of the funding application
 - (2) subject to receipt of the formal confirmation referred to in para 4.1 of the report, instruct the Director of Development Services to implement the agreed Household Waste Recycling Charter compliant collection service.

3. Background

3.1 In September 2018, a report was presented to the Executive which provided an examination of a further option for a Household Waste Recycling Charter compliant service requested at the Executive meeting on 14 August 2018. The outcome of examination was included in the report with information on collection costs and collection service options provided as appendices. It was recommended that the least expensive charter compliant solution, which was presented to Members in November 2017, be taken forward. This is displayed pictorially below:

Food Waste	Paper and Card (new container)	Plastic, Metals and Cartons	Glass, Textiles, Small Electricals, Household Batteries (& Nappies)	Non-Recyclable Waste	Garden Waste
Food	3:46	240		240	240
Waste	Liv.	Ltr.		Liv.	Lir.
Weekly	Every	Every	Every	Every	Every
	4 weeks	4 weeks	2 weeks	4 weeks	4 weeks

3.2 At its September meeting, the Executive authorised the Director of Development Services to submit an application to Zero Waste Scotland for containers to provide this service. The Executive also instructed the Director to report back to Members following the outcome of the funding application process and on the outcome of the Deposit Return Scheme consultation.

4. Outcome of Funding Application

4.1 Zero Waste Scotland has indicated that they will fund in full our bid. The proviso is that we need to spend c£1m in this financial year and the remainder c£500k in 2019/20. Formal confirmation had not yet been received at the time of writing but Members will be updated on the position at the meeting.

5. Deposit Return Scheme Consultation

5.1 The consultation for the deposit return (DRS) scheme ended on the 25th September. To date no feedback on the consultation has been received.

6. Next Steps

6.1 Subject to Member approval, our aim is to roll out the new service by the end of quarter 3 of 2019/20.

7. Consultation

7.1 None

8. Implications

Financial

8.1 Following the outcome of the funding application, a summary of the cost implications are presented below:

Summary	Budget	Current Service	Agreed Option
Revenue Collection Costs (£)	3,873,000	3,936,000	3,801,000
Revenue Costs of Capital Expenditure (£)	0	0	0
Revenue Disposal Costs (£)	2,523,300	3,679,629	2,524,749
Total (£)	6,396,300	7,615,629	6,325,749
Overspend v Budget (£)		1,219,329	(70,551)

8.2 It should be noted that this table has been adjusted from previous versions to reflect the impact of the financial contribution from ZWS. Any service change should be considered in the context of the Medium Term Financial Plan projected 5 year budget gap of circa £60 million.

Resources

8.3 The funding application included the provision of temporary staff to support the service change.

Legal

8.4 None other than already included in the report.

Risk

8.5 The Charter and associated Code of Practice is subject to review and therefore service provision may require to be updated in light of the introduction of a DRS.

Equalities

8.6 None

Sustainability/Environmental Impact

8.7 None other than already mentioned within previous reports.

9. Conclusions

9.1 Until the Charter compliant service is introduced, the Council will continue to incur higher costs for processing co-mingled dry recyclate at its Council operated facility, with further additional budgetary and processing pressures being experienced from the marketplace in the future due to the need for higher quality material required by the supply chain. Savings from the introduction of the new service will only start to be achieved when the roll out is complete.

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APPENDICES

None

List of Background Papers:

The following papers were relied on in the preparation of this report in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973:

• Executive – 15 May 2018, 13 February 2018, 28 November 2017, 13 June 2017, 14 August 2018, 25 September 2018