TORBAY COUNCIL

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Dear Member

COUNCIL - THURSDAY, 21 JULY 2022

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at the Thursday, 21 July 2022 meeting of the Council, the following reports that were unavailable when the agenda was printed.

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Yours sincerely

June Gurry Clerk

Agenda Item 7

Record of Decisions

Kerbside Green Waste Collection Service

Decision Taker

Cabinet on 12 July 2022.

Decision

That:

- 1. SWISCo are instructed to deliver an opt in, paid for kerbside garden waste collection service as soon as possible;
- 2. The Director of Finance be requested to use his delegated authority to introduce a new charge for the service to be fortnightly, all year round and charged at £50 p/a (£40 for CTSS) per 240 litre bin, in accordance with Financial Regulation, paragraph 5.10 (in consultation with the Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member for Finance and Chief Executive); and

That Council be recommended:

3. That the Director of Finance be delegated authority, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance, to provide Council funding by prudential borrowing for the Council to purchase the bins for garden waste or provide a loan to SWISCo for their purchase.

Reason for the Decision

Torbay Council's recycling rate is currently 37% and below the target of 50%. A key element to increasing the recycling rate is to increase opportunities for the recycling of garden waste.

Implementation

Decision 1 and 2 will come into force and may be implemented on 25 July 2022 unless the call-in procedure is triggered (as set out in the Standing Orders in relation to Overview and Scrutiny). Decision 3, will be considered by the Council on 21 July 2022.

Information

The only green waste recycling option (other than in garden composting) currently available to Torbay residents is the Household Waste and Recycling Centre in Paignton or seasonal remote collection points in Torquay and Brixham. Torbay's waste flow data shows approx. 1500 tonne of garden waste is disposed of in the residual stream every year. Collecting and recycling this garden waste offers potential for improvements of Torbay's recycling rate by up to 6%, therefore making an important contribution towards the Council's climate emergency commitments.

A charged garden waste collection was identified in the Resource and Waste Strategy for Torbay, by the target date of 2023. The Resource and Waste Strategy sets out that this collection will reduce the amount of green waste that is put into the residual bin and will lead to an improvement in Torbay's recycling rates.

At the meeting Councillor Morey proposed and Councillor Law seconded a motion that was agreed unanimously by the Cabinet, as set out above.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

The alternative option to an opt in charged for service would have been to offer a free service to all households with a garden (approximately 45,000 properties).

Although this was promoted as the preferred option of Central Government, on the basis of new burdens funding this being a net nil cost to local authorities, DEFRA has not confirmed any further details. The results of the Government consultation were due to be published in July 2022, delayed from Autumn 2021, however any changes will then have to be included in new legislation relating to the Environment Bill, as is in reality a number of years away. At the current time a free service would cost Torbay Council approx. £1.2 m per annum plus capital costs of approximately £1.6m

Is this a Key Decision?
No
Does the call-in procedure apply?
Yes
Declarations of interest (including details of any relevant dispensations issued by the Standards Committee)
None.
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Leader of Torbay Council on behalf of the Cabinet

Record of Decisions

Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2022 - 2026

Decision Taker

Cabinet on 12 July 2022.

Decision

That Cabinet recommends to Council:

That the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2022-26 as set out in Appendix 1 to the submitted report be approved.

Reason for the Decision

To ensure that the Council complies with the statutory requirement for all upper tier local authorities to have in place a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Implementation

The recommendation of the Cabinet will be considered at the Council meeting on 21 July 2022.

Information

Local Authorities have a duty to produce, through the Health and Wellbeing Board, a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy setting out priorities to address the needs of the population.

The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2022-2026 sets out areas of focus and key actions to improve lives in Torbay over the next four years. The strategy was prepared in collaboration with Health and Wellbeing Board partners over several months and the areas of focus and cross-cutting areas represent priorities for agencies working across Torbay to improve the health and wellbeing of residents.

At the meeting Councillor Stockman proposed and Councillor Long seconded a motion that was agreed unanimously by the Cabinet, as set out above.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy was a partnership document setting out priorities for strategic activity and therefore alternative options were not considered.

Is this a Key Decision?

Yes

Does the call-in procedure apply?

No

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None.	
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Record of Decisions

Final Budget Monitoring 2021/22 (April 2021 – March 2022)

Decision Taker

Cabinet on 12 July 2022.

Decision

That Cabinet notes the report and recommends to Council:

That the Council notes that the following revenue outturn actions were agreed as a part of the March 2022/23 budget approval;

- 1. carrying forward £0.57m for Highways; and
- 2. notes the decision of the Section 151 officer to carry forward of £0.2m to be used as follows:
 - a. £0.1m allocated to support the impact of the 'cost of living' crisis; and
 - b. £0.1m allocated to support the implementation of the new customer relationship management software.

Reason for the Decision

To ensure the Council operates in a prudent manner and works to maintain a balanced budget.

Implementation

The recommendations of the Cabinet will be considered at Council meeting on 21 July 2022.

Information

The Budget Monitoring 2021/22 Quarter Four – Outturn report provided a high-level budget summary of the Council's final revenue and capital position for the financial year 2021/22.

At the meeting Councillor Cowell proposed and Councillor Steve Darling seconded a motion that was agreed unanimously by the Cabinet, as set out above.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

There were no alternative options considered.

Is this a Key Decision?

No

Does the call-in procedure apply?

No

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None.	
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