

Report on	Environmental Services Proposed Scale of Charges for 2018/19
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1.0	Purpose of Report																				
1.1	To seek approval for a proposed scale of charges in relation to Environmental Services for the period 1 st April 2018 to 31 st March 2019.																				
2.0	Background																				
2.1	The proposed charges for Environmental Services relate to the collection and disposal of commercial waste and the sale of wheeled bins to domestic and commercial customers.																				
3.0	Main Report																				
3.1	<p>Commercial Waste – Kerbside Collections</p> <p>Members should be aware that the Council, where requested, has an obligation to provide for the collection of commercial waste from premises within its District and to levy a charge which covers both the costs of collection and disposal (or treatment) of that waste.</p> <p>Proposed charges for the collection and disposal of commercial waste from 1st April 2018 (at the kerbside) are shown in table 1 below.</p> <p>Table 1</p> <table><tr><th rowspan="2">Bin Size</th><th colspan="2">Cost per Collection</th></tr><tr><th>Residual</th><th>Recycling</th></tr><tr><td>120 Litre</td><td>£2.90</td><td>£2.00</td></tr><tr><td>240 Litre</td><td>£5.25</td><td>£3.65</td></tr><tr><td>360 Litre</td><td>£7.75</td><td>£5.35</td></tr><tr><td>660 Litre</td><td>£13.75</td><td>£9.50</td></tr><tr><td>1100 Litre</td><td>£22.60</td><td>£15.70</td></tr></table> <p>The proposed residual (black) bin charges are based on an inflationary 3% increase on the existing charges (rounded to the nearest five pence). It is not proposed to increase the charges for the collection of recycling bins (which will be around 70% of the cost of residual bins). It should be noted that VAT is not chargeable on any commercial waste collections.</p>	Bin Size	Cost per Collection		Residual	Recycling	120 Litre	£2.90	£2.00	240 Litre	£5.25	£3.65	360 Litre	£7.75	£5.35	660 Litre	£13.75	£9.50	1100 Litre	£22.60	£15.70
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3.2	Purchase of Wheeled Bins																				

It is not proposed to increase the current prices for the purchase of wheeled bins as shown in table 2 below:

Table 2

Bin Size	Cost	Delivery Charge	Total (Exc VAT)
120/180 Litre	£25	£9	£34
240 Litre	£25	£9	£34
360 Litre	£50	£12	£62
660 Litre	£125	£12	£137
1100 Litre	£170	£12	£182

The charges for 240 litre wheeled bins will apply to black, blue and brown containers. However in a further move to encourage food waste recycling it is proposed that when a householder is purchasing all three bins at the one time that the charge for the brown bin be reduced to £10 resulting in a total charge of £60 for all three bins (rather than £75). Furthermore where more than one bin is purchased and delivered to a property at the same time only one (£9) delivery charge will apply.

The proposed charge for larger (trade) containers i.e. 360, 660 and 1100 litre are based on cost price plus an uplift to cover administration/handling.

3.3

Disposal of Commercial Waste at Recycling Centres

The proposed charge for the disposal of residual commercial waste at Recycling Centres from 1st April 2018 is based on the current (collected) contract rate of £136/ tonne + 3%:

Residual Waste - £140 per tonne + VAT

Whilst the disposal of most recyclable commercial waste at Recycling Centres will remain free of charge it is necessary to apply a charge for certain, mainly hazardous, waste streams. The specific charge for the disposal of paint will have to increase to the below given a 50% increase in the contract cost for this material during the past year:

Waste Paint - £500 per tonne + VAT

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Other Considerations

4.1

Financial & Human Resources Implications

Financial: The total estimated income from the collection and disposal of commercial waste (at the kerbside) in 2018/19 is estimated to be approximately £500,000 + VAT.

Human: Administration of trade waste invoicing and payments.

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Equality and Good Relations Implications

N/A

4.3

Risk Management Implications

In order to reduce the risks around handling of cash at Recycling Centres officers are currently investigating/procuring the installation of a pre-payment system at the sites.

5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	It is recommended that the proposed scale of charges as outlined be approved for 2018/19
6.0	Documents Attached & References
6.1	None