TITLE: NEIGHBOURHOOD RECYCLING CENTRE PROVISION

Committee: Regulatory Services

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## 1.0 ISSUE

1.1.1 To inform Members of plans regarding future provision of neighbourhood recycling centres.

## 2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

2.1 That the report is noted.

## 3.0 BACKGROUND/OPTIONS

- 3.1 Contracts for the provision of paper, glass & plastic bottle/can recycling banks at neighbourhood recycling centres are due to end on 31 March 2018.
- 3.2 Extension options within the contracts were offered to service providers, but there was considerable delay in obtaining responses. When they did respond, both the glass & paper bank providers declined to extend. The delay means that there is not now sufficient time to carry out a commercial procurement process to replace services before contracts end.
- 3.3 Officers have been asked to undertake a consultation of site hosts and users to assist this Committee in deciding at a future meeting what if any replacement services are put in place.
- 3.4 Textile banks are provided under a contract due to end in February 2019. It is intended to maintain provision of textile banks as materials collected are not accepted through household collections.

## 4.0 ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS

- 4.1 Options for future service provision are:
  - Replacement commercial contracts;
  - Provision of mixed recycling banks to all current sites through directly provided waste collection services available from April 2018;
  - Provision of mixed recycling banks to a reduced number of sites as the above option, and;
  - Removal of all sites, now that usage is reduced due to improved collection services.

- 4.2 To decide at this time on the preferred future provision option would not allow for the option of further commercial contracts or time for the requested consultation exercise before current contracts end.
- 4.3 It is, therefore, intended to put in place interim arrangements to allow for a consultation exercise and report with recommendations to be presented to a future meeting of this Committee for decision.
- 5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT
- 5.1 Financial implications will be assessed and presented within the report to be submitted.
- 5.2 Equalities implications will be considered in the following report.
- 6.0 APPENDICES
- 6.1 None

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