

Key Decision Required	No	In the Forward Plan	No
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CABINET

16 JUNE 2017

REFERENCE REPORT FROM THE SERVICE DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY COMMITTEE

A.2 ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL'S PROPOSED CONTRIBUTION TO THIS COUNCIL'S CLEAR-UP COSTS IN THE EVENT OF INCREASED FLY TIPPING

(Report prepared by Mark Westall and Katie Sullivan)

BACKGROUND

At its meeting held on 3 April 2017 the Service Development and Delivery Committee were informed about Essex County Council's proposed contribution to this Council's clear-up costs by the Council's Head of Environmental Services (John Fox) and Street Scene Officer (Jon Hamlet), in the event of increased incidents of fly tipping as a consequence of their recent policy change at recycling centres.

Members were informed that, as of November 2016, Essex County Council (ECC) had changed the rules at recycle centres which had resulted in business waste being refused and restrictions put in place and that there had been concerns that there would be an increase in fly tipping in the District resulting from the changes to the rules.

Members were informed that, at many of the recycle centres in the District, businesses had been dumping their waste when they should have been taking it to a site specifically for disposal of business waste and paying for it.

Councillor Talbot, the Portfolio Holder for the Environment, informed the Committee that there was a verbal agreement that ECC would pay the cost of clearing up an increase in fly tipping if it should occur.

A leaflet provided by Essex County Council which gave guidance as to what residents could, and could not, take to recycle centres was distributed to the Committee for information.

The Council's Street Scene Officer (Jon Hamlet) informed the Committee that the Council had been monitoring the figures in relation to fly tipping and that at this early stage it was difficult to spot any differences in trend since the new rules had come into place. Mr Hamlet confirmed that the figures would be checked and monitored on a month-by-month basis.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS TO CABINET

It was **RECOMMENDED** to Cabinet that Cabinet recognise that TDC's Environmental Services team has a good working partnership with Essex County Council.

PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO CABINET

SDDC's comment is welcomed and duly noted.
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