Cleansing Services Spending Review

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Service Overview

- Maintain 487 miles highway land weekly
- Remove 3,900 tonnes of litter annually
- Maintain 2,653 streets weekly
- Over 1,500 litter bins, 333 within City centre
- · Street washing
- · Highway weed spraying
- Public conveniences
- 24 hours on call
- RTA clean up/spillages/SHARPS/asbestos
- · Removal of flytipping
- · Winter maintenance



Statutory requirement

- Environment Protection Act 1990 imposes duties under Section 89 on LA to keep clean public highways.
- The Act, seeks to encourage LA to maintain other land within acceptable standards.
- Cleanliness standards should be monitored to ensure NI195 litter standards are maintained.
- Clearance from night time economy by 8.00am
- Advisory standards, re. graffiti and flyposting due to impact on the quality of the environment (none statutory).

Spending Review Programme

- Government Grant reduced by 50% in real terms 2019/20 to 2010/11 – Impacting all Council services
- · Reduced spending by £100m per year
- Further cuts at least until 2019/20, est £50m-£60m
- Managed via Spending Review programme
- Indicative target for Waste & Cleansing £2.5m
- First phase £0.7m contribution Cleansing Services
 - 27% of net budget



It is recognised that a clean quality local environment supports a vibrant City and supports the sustainability and growth of the business and tourism offer:

secures quality, long term commercial investors

attracts and retains workers with scarce skills

meets landowners' and tenants' legal obligations and liabilities

deters anti-social behaviour and some criminal activities

secures the approval of electors, for whom local environmental quality is a fundamental test of an administration's efficiency and effectiveness

creates environments that are more easily maintained and less subject to vandalism.

It is critical that service reductions within Cleansing Services are carefully managed to minimise the impact on the service offer.

- · Cleansing functions very visible, instant impact.
- Linked to wider enforcement litter campaigns.
- Introduction of small blitz team to tackle issues.
- · Cleanliness standards monitoring.
- · Review of schedules and frequencies.
- Continue to benchmark via APSE



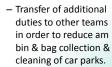
Current Service Provision

- LCC benchmarks against 18 comparable LA's.
- 2014/15 key Pl's:
- Below avg cost per household £29.71 (£34.83).
- Cost per head of population £12.70 (£15.05).
- Overall quality band score 116 (97.39).
- Highest results for recycling 82.37% (24.92%).
- Cleanliness standards, 87% litter, 90% detritus.



Service Options

- Through the streamlining of services into the cleansing role removal of the dedicated FIDO (faeces intake disposal operation) machine and operative and the dedicated Bring Bank team.









- Review how the Transfer Station is resourced.
- Review the use of roll on roll off vehicles in order to reduce 1 roll-on-roll off vehicle & driver.



- Review the operation of the Graffiti team in order to reduce the team.
- Redesign of schedules in order to reduce the City Centre Cleansing team.





- Redesign schedules in order to reduce the district sweeping team.
- Removal of 1 of the 2 mechanical brushes for district cleaning.



 Review of the management of corporate waste with a combined service collecting both mixed waste and recycled materials in a split body vehicle.









Maximise Income

- Trade waste
- RTA/spillages
- Graffiti removal
- Skip provision
- Market waste
- Bus shelters
- Shop fronts
- Dry waste recycling





Summary

- £700k phased initial saving (to be reviewed)
- · Housing Caretakers inc in Housing review.
- Maximising income generation.
- · Corporate fleet savings, add. £170k



Timeline

- Initial timeframe 3 year phased approach (with review).
 - Year 1 April 2017 £365k
 - Year 2 April 2018 £508k (143k)
 - Year 3 April 2019 £700k (192k)
- The fluidity of the reductions allows for changes in service provision based on outcomes as the proposed changes are introduced.



Questions?

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