

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 20 August 2019

**Decision No:** (CAB 19/20 24206)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	Cabinet Member for Place and Transport
SUBJECT:	Procurement of Commercial Waste Disposal Contract
AUTHOR:	David Tyrie

### THE DECISION

- (i) Subject to approval of Council recommendations (i) to (iii) below, that approval is given for the procurement of a single supplier waste disposal contract for commercial waste.
- (ii) That authority is delegated to the Service Director Transactions and Universal Services to carry out a procurement process for the delivery of a waste disposal contract for commercial waste, as set out in this report, and to enter into contracts for the delivery of the service in accordance with the Contract Procedure Rules.
- (iii) To authorise the Service Director Transactions and Universal Services to take all necessary actions to implement the proposals contained in this report

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. The Environmental Protection Act 1990 allows Southampton City Council to collect Commercial Waste from businesses within the City boundary and a charge may be levied for this service. The commercial waste service is successful, generating £2.2M per annum gross revenue, which contributes £0.25M to the overheads of the Waste and Recycling Service. It has a good local reputation, and there is potential to further develop and expand this service.
2. Commercial waste must be properly disposed of, and therefore the council must have a contract in place with a supplier to provide this service. The current arrangement comes at the end of the Financial Year and a formal and compliant procurement process must take place in advance of this date to ensure continuity of service. Undertaking a formal procurement process will ensure the council achieves best value for money, as well as factoring in other considerations such as ethical disposal routes. It will put the council in a position to grow the commercial waste business, and provide a high quality, cost effective service to more businesses in the city. It will also ensure that compliance with council Financial and Procurement rules.

**DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

1. As noted above, the Environmental Protection Act 1990 allows the council to collect Commercial Waste from businesses. The council, if requested, must arrange for the collection of commercial waste so the option to withdraw the current service was rejected.
2. Extending the current procurement exemption, or seeking a further MOU under the Project Integra household waste contract are not viable alternative options. Neither of these options would be legally compliant, they would also not ensure maximum value for money.
3. An option to outsource the commercial waste service, or to partner with a private company, was explored as part of the LATCO business planning process. This was rejected as it was felt that with the right support SCC could grow the Commercial offer in house, continue to provide jobs with fair T's and C's, and continue to invest in the Southampton Pound.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

No

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

No

**CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD**

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> August 2019

Decision Maker:  
The Cabinet

Proper Officer:  
Claire Heather

**SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period expires on
Date of Call-in <i>(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)</i>
Call-in Procedure completed <i>(if applicable)</i>
Call-in heard by <i>(if applicable)</i>
Results of Call-in <i>(if applicable)</i>