

**AGENDA**  
**STREETSCENE POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND**  
**REVIEW PANEL**

**Date:** Thursday, 8 September 2016

**Time:** 6.00 pm

**Venue:** Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

**Members:**

Councillor L Keeble (Chairman)

Councillor S D Martin (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors Mrs L E Clubley

J E Butts

G Fazackarley

J M Englefield

R H Price, JP

**Deputies:** Mrs M Brady

K A Barton



**1. Apologies for Absence**

**2. Minutes (Pages 1 - 4)**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel meeting held on 14 July 2016.

**3. Chairman's Announcements**

**4. Declarations of Interest and Disclosures of Advice or Directions**

To receive any declarations of interest from members in accordance with Standing Orders and the Council's Code of Conduct and disclosures of advice or directions received from Group Leaders or Political Groups, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

**5. Deputations**

To receive any deputations of which notice has been lodged.

**6. Review of Work Programme 2016/17 (Pages 5 - 8)**

To consider a report by the Director of Operations on the Panel's Work Programme for 2016/17.

**7. Allotment Review (Pages 9 - 14)**

To consider a report by the Director of Operations on the Allotment Agreement renewal.

**8. Annual Report on Recycling (Pages 15 - 22)**

To consider a report by the Director of Operations on an annual review of Recycling.

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# FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

**Date:** Thursday, 14 July 2016

**Venue:** Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

**PRESENT:**

Councillor L Keeble (Chairman)

Councillor S D Martin (Vice-Chairman)

**Councillors:** J E Butts, Mrs L E Clubley, J M Englefield, R H Price, JP and  
K A Barton (deputising for G Fazackarley)

**Also Present:** Councillor Mrs S M Bayford (Item 10)



**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology of absence was received from Councillor G Fazackarley.

**2. MINUTES**

It was AGREED that the minutes of the Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel held on 9 June 2016, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Chairman's announcements.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURES OF ADVICE OR DIRECTIONS**

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

**5. DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

**6. REVIEW OF WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17**

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Operations which reviewed the Panel's work programme for 2016/17.

The Director of Operations informed the Panel of an error on Appendix A of the report, the date for the October meeting should read 20 October 2016 and not 02 October 2016.

It was AGREED that, subject to the correction of the date for the October meeting, the draft work programme as set out in Appendix A of the report be approved.

**7. ANNUAL REPORT ON STREET CLEANSING SERVICE**

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Operations on an annual review of the Street Cleansing Service.

The Operations Manager informed the Panel that the Vanguard intervention is currently taking place within the department and that one of the areas that has been reviewed was the bulky waste service, where it was resolved that the service is operating extremely efficiently and there is no requirement to streamline the service further.

Councillor Price enquired as to how the trial of the free dog waste bags is going and whether there has been any review of the trial yet. The Operations Manager confirmed that the trial is still on-going and that they are currently

working with the Communications team to find ways of being able to measure the results of the trials.

Members also enquired if the trial was going to spread into other problem areas across the Borough. The Operations Manager confirmed that this was currently being discussed.

It was AGREED that the content of the report be noted.

## **8. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

It was AGREED that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and representatives of the Press be excluded from the remainder of the meeting as the Panel considered it was not in the public interest to consider the matter in public on the grounds that involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of part 1 of schedule 12A of the Act.

## **9. ANNUAL REVIEW OF TRADE WASTE SERVICE**

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Operations on an annual review of the Trade Waste Service.

It was AGREED that the content of the report be noted.

## **10. MEMBERS OPEN FORUM**

The Chairman addressed the Panel and informed them that no written questions had been submitted for this item, he then invited any members to put forward any questions they may have for any of the Officers regarding any Streetscene related topic.

At the Invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Mrs Bayford addressed the Panel on this item.

She enquired as to what penalties or enforcement action could be taken against people who let their dogs off their leads in areas where this is not permitted, such as Holly Hill Park. The Director of Operations addressed the Panel and informed them that unfortunately this is not the responsibility of the Streetscene department but he would pass the details to the Head of Parking and Enforcement who would contact Councillor Mrs Bayford to discuss this problem.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm  
and ended at 7.10 pm).



# FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Report to Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel

**Date**                    **8 September 2016**

**Report of:**            **Director of Operations**

**Subject:**                **REVIEW OF WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17**

### **SUMMARY**

The Work Programme for 2016/17 was reviewed and agreed by the Panel at its last meeting on 14 July 2016.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Members are now invited to further review the Work Programme for the year 2016/17.

## **INTRODUCTION**

1. At the meeting of the Panel on 14 July 2016 members reviewed and agreed the Panel's Work Programme for 2016/17, attached as Appendix A to this report. Members are now invited to further review the Work Programme.

## **REVISIONS TO THE WORK PROGRAMME**

2. Members are asked to note the following revision to the work programme:
  - (i). The report previously titled 'Allotment Agreement Renewal' scheduled for this meeting has now been renamed 'Allotment Review'.

## **RISK ASSESSMENT**

3. There are no significant risk considerations in relation to this report

## **CONCLUSION**

4. The Panel is now invited to confirm the programme of items for 2016/17, as set out in the attached Appendix A.

### **Background Papers:**

None.

### **Reference Papers:**

None.

### **Enquiries:**

For further information on this report please contact Paul Doran. (Ext 4572)



**STREETSCENE POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW PANEL – WORK PROGRAMME  
2016/17**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ITEMS</b>
9 June 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Work Programme 2016/17</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation on Streetscene Services and Key Achievements</li> </ul>
14 July 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Work Programme 2016/17</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Review of Trade Waste Service</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Report on Street Cleansing Service</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members Open Forum</li> </ul>
8 September 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Work Programme 2016/17</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allotment Agreement Renewal</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Report on Recycling</li> </ul>
20 October 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Work Programme 2016/17</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Report on Grounds Maintenance Service</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members Open Forum</li> </ul>
26 January 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preliminary Review of Work Programme 2016/17 &amp; Draft Work Programme 2017/18</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report on Progress of New Corporate Cleaning Contract</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report on New Contract for Bus Shelter Maintenance and Cleaning</li> </ul>
3 March 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final Review of Work Programme for 2016/17 and Draft Work Programme 2017/18</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report on Textile Recycling</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hedge Cutting Contract Review</li></ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Members Open Forum</li></ul>

# FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Report to Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel

**Date**                    **8 September 2016**

**Report of:**            **Director of Operations**

**Subject:**                **ALLOTMENT REVIEW**

### SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to familiarise members on the provision of allotments within the borough of Fareham.

### RECOMMENDATION

Members are asked to note the contents of the report.

## **INTRODUCTION**

1. The purpose of this report is to familiarise members on the provision of allotments within the Borough of Fareham, their management arrangements and the future renewal of lease agreements with the Allotment Associations

## **BACKGROUND**

2. The provision of Allotments is a statutory service and as such, this Council has a legal obligation to provide sufficient land for this purpose to reasonably meet local demand.
3. Currently there are ten Council owned sites within the Borough covering an area of 19.2 hectares. There are two allotment sites in Portchester, four sites covering central Fareham and Stubbington area and five sites in the Western Wards. This equates to 1030 plots of varying size. A plan can be found in Appendix A.

## **BENEFITS OF ALLOTMENTS**

4. Allotment gardening is a leisure pursuit that provides wide-ranging benefits to individuals, local communities and the environment. It can have a positive impact on the quality of people's lives and wellbeing.
5. In addition to the advantages of producing good quality, locally grown and low cost fresh food, gardeners can also gain the benefits of healthy exercise that is active, socially inclusive and reflects the ideals of sustainability and well-being. Allotments are available to all sections of the community, including the old, young, disabled and people from ethnic communities
6. Allotments are a unique and valuable aspect of the local area contributing to the quality of the urban built environment and the range of local leisure provision. They also contribute to Environmental Sustainable Strategy, provide opportunities for wildlife and can contribute to the retention of traditional skills. Gardening is the single biggest leisure activity undertaken by the public and this is reflected in the uptake of plots available in the Borough.

## **MANAGEMENT OF ALLOTMENTS**

7. The Allotment sites are currently leased to three Allotment Associations whom voluntarily provide day to day site supervision, administration, allocations of plots, and collection of rental fees. They also carry out minor repairs and the general maintenance of buildings.
8. Each site has an appointed Site Manager who provides an important liaison point between the Council and the tenants. Their responsibilities include providing a communication link with tenants, meeting prospective tenants, showing them available plots and notifying the Horticultural Development Officer of any site problems.
9. Each plot holder (tenant) of an Allotment Association who has an allotment plot has a tenancy agreement which outlines the conditions on tenancy to ensure the plots are kept to a standard and in line with the various allotments acts and local conventions.
10. A good working relationship is held with the Associations who work closely with the Council's Horticultural Development Officer, who has specialist knowledge of allotment provision and manages the provision of the service along with infrastructural works,

boundaries and water supply.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

11. The revenue budget for 2016/17 is £22,600 and is detailed in the table below. Almost half of the budget relates to employee and internal recharges whilst the remainder relates to water charges, tree management, pest control and minor works to the individual sites.

Employee related expenditure	8,600
Premises related expenditure	7,300
Transport related expenditure	100
Supplies and Services	4,300
Internal recharges	2,300
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>22,600</b>

12. In addition to the above the three Allotment Associations are responsible for the collection of plot rentals from allotment tenants. The current rent is £2.80 per rod per annum. This money is kept by the Associations and is used for the general upkeep and maintenance of the allotment sites. The rent is reviewed every two years and increased by RPI. The annual rent collected across all allotments is in the region of £17,000.

## CURRENT SUPPLY AND DEMAND

13. At the Executive meeting on 6 September 2010, a report highlighted that the Council's allotment provision was at that time not meeting demand. There was a shortage of allotments and based on this fact, two locations were identified as possible allotment sites for the future. These were to be located at Coldeast and Stubbington.
14. Six years on, the situation has changed and we are now in a position where waiting lists have reduced to approximately a third of what it was and is now at manageable levels in all but the Stubbington area.
15. Waiting lists have reduced for a number of reasons but it is evident that interest in allotment gardening is very much influenced by current trends, media interest and television programmes.
16. Historically, plots were normally 10 rods (250m<sup>2</sup>) or possibly larger but smaller 5 rods (125m<sup>2</sup>) have become the norm.
17. There has also been a change in the demographics of those people expressing a wish to take up plots, where generally there is a desire for something more manageable with traditional allotment gardeners moving more towards to the 'Hobbyist gardener' style.
18. The response to this by Associations has been to reduce the size of plots which are more suited to the time limitations people are now faced with and are more realistically manageable. This in turn increases the number of plots available and thus helps to reduce the waiting lists.
19. Although the average size is still 5 rods (125m<sup>2</sup>) there are also an increasing number of 2.5 rod (63m<sup>2</sup>) plots emerging.

## **NEW PROVISION OF ALLOTMENTS**

20. As mentioned in paragraph 13 above, it was accepted back in 2010 that there was a shortfall in provision and at that time consideration was given to finding suitable sites that would satisfy the demand.
21. Two locations were identified, one being at Coldeast and the other in Stubbington. Due to falling demand and other commitments taking priority in the western wards, it was decided that the potential site identified at Coldeast would not proceed.
22. However, various officers within the Council are still working on finalising land in Stubbington to hopefully eliminate the waiting list for Stroud Green Allotments.

## **RENEWAL OF LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH THE ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATIONS**

23. As mentioned above, the Allotments are run by three Allotment Associations who have lease agreements that have run for the last fifteen years. The leases were due to be renewed in April 2016.
24. Initial discussions have taken place with the Council's Solicitors to draw up a new lease that is more transparent and in line with the current day modern standards.
25. A survey of all allotments to establish the state of repair of the infrastructure, including grounds, fencing, buildings and water supply shall be carried out as part of this process.
26. A full consultation exercise will be carried out with all three allotment associations during the autumn as part of the lease renewal process and is expected to be in place by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.

## **ALLOTMENT STRATEGY**

27. An allotment strategy was adopted by the Council in 2010 with the overall objective of the strategy to increase the ability and opportunity for people to cultivate allotment plots in Fareham. It does not relate to the sites owned by HCC in the Borough, which can be found adjacent Titchfield Community Centre and on Segensworth Road.
28. The strategy seeks through its targets and initiatives, to optimise the use of allotment sites for existing and potential plot holders identify needs and meet demand.
29. The document initially provided a framework for a period of five years to develop and manage allotments in partnership with the Allotment Associations and provides a focus on the following objectives:-
  - (a) To ensure the existing provision of Allotments meets current trends for demand;
  - (b) To maintain and improve the infrastructure, facilities and quality of allotment sites, ensuring sites are welcoming, safe and accessible;
  - (c) To continue to work in partnership with the Allotment Associations to ensure good administrative and management processes;
  - (d) To highlight the role that allotments play in developing a more sustainable

environment, encouraging biodiversity and conservation;

- (e) To promote allotments as a benefit for the wider community, realising the opportunity they offer for education, health and wellbeing and social inclusion initiatives; and
- (f) To ensure adequate resources are available to support the long term service provision.

30. The strategy will need to be reconsidered and its relevance evaluated and updated accordingly following the outcome new lease arrangements.

### **CONCLUSION**

31. The report has provided information that outlines the current situation in relation to the provision and management of allotments in Fareham. It is hoped that this has been particularly useful to those members who have recently been elected.

### **Background Papers:**

Report to the Executive – 6 September 2010 – Allotment Strategy

### **Reference Papers:**

### **Enquiries:**

For further information on this report please contact Sue Woodbridge. (Ext 4546)

### Details of Allotment site locations and plot numbers



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**Table showing breakdown of plot sites on each allotment**

No	Allotment Name	No. of 5 rod plots (or less)	No. of 7 -10 rod plots	Total no. of plots	No on waiting list
1	The Gillies	130 (6 vacant)	2	132	6
2	Salterns Lane	25	6	31	13
3	Stroud Green	15	34	49	77
4	Wickham Road	165 (5 vacant)	8	173	9
5	Red Barn	61		61	0
6	Roman Grove	80	26	106	14
7	Sarisbury Green	35	57	92	0
8	Hunts Pond Road	189 (3 vacant)	63	252	0
9	Lodge Road	26	3	29	4
11	Warsash Road	62	31	93	2
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>1030</b>	<b>125</b>

N.B. No. 10 Posbrook Road is no longer leased by the Council



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BOROUGH COUNCIL

## Report to Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel

**Date**                **8 September 2016**

**Report of:**        **Director of Operations**

**Subject:**           **ANNUAL REPORT ON RECYCLING PERFORMANCE**

### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to provide information on the performance of the recycling facilities offered by the Council to residents of the Borough.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

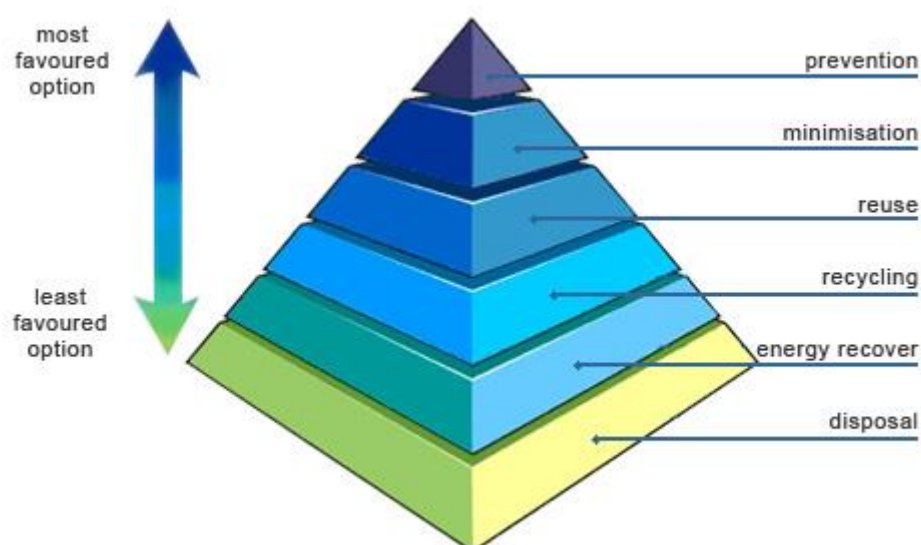
That members note the contents of this report.

## INTRODUCTION

1. Fareham Borough Council collects recycling at the kerbside (in the blue top bins and garden waste sacks), and through a network of bring bank sites (mainly glass and textiles).
2. For the last few years the Council has maintained a position whereby 33-35% of the total domestic waste generated is sent for recycling. This is one of the highest rates in Hampshire.
3. This has both environmental and financial benefits. The Council receives a significant income from the sale of materials sent for recycling.
4. The waste disposal and recycling facilities are managed through Hampshire County Council in partnership with all of the waste collection authorities in Hampshire, working together with Veolia Environmental Services.

## THE WASTE HIERARCHY

5. The Waste Hierarchy is a process used to protect the environment and conserve resources through a priority approach established in waste policy and legislation. It has been part of the European Union's Waste Framework Directive since 1975 and in 2008 the stepped process outlined in the pyramid diagram below was introduced. As well as recycling, there are benefits to avoiding the waste arising in the first place.
6. The best environmental option is to prevent the waste in the first place, for instance using left-over food rather than throwing it away. If waste is re-used, it saves the energy required to recycle something into a new product. Re-use might include giving away a wardrobe for someone else to use. It is better to incinerate the remaining waste with energy recovery, than landfilling it.
7. The Waste Hierarchy



8. The Waste Hierarchy can be applied to Fareham's waste arisings. The table below shows the proportion of Fareham's waste according to the treatment of it, for the year 2015-16.

<b>Treatment Option</b>	<b>Percentage of total waste</b>
Re-use and Recycling (includes books, shoes, textiles, blue top bin, glass, paper and garden waste)	33%
Energy recovery (includes refuse, rejected recycling, bulky waste, street sweepings, fly tipped waste)	61%
Landfill (includes waste from HWRC and bottom ash)	6%
Total waste	100 %

(\*landfill figure is estimated for Fareham as data is only available for Hampshire)

9. Almost all of Hampshire's residual waste is now incinerated at an energy recovery facility (ERF) which generates electricity from the process. Metal is extracted from the incinerator bottom ash, and contributes to the Council's recycling figures. The remaining ash is used in sub-surface aggregate, but this does not count towards the recycling rate. General waste from the Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) is landfilled. This waste is very difficult to apportion to each individual Borough Council. Across Hampshire, only 6 % of the whole County's waste is landfilled.
10. It is very difficult to quantify the amount of waste avoided by prevention or minimisation measures, since by definition, if waste has been prevented it is not there to weigh.
11. Approximately 70% of textiles collected are reused with the remainder being recycled into new products and non-recyclable items being sent for energy recovery. Due to the nature of collections and the individual makeup of the textiles collected, it is difficult to apportion the exact re-use and recycling amount. Therefore, Hampshire County Council categorise textile bank material as recycling within the waste hierarchy. This ensures that all textiles collected contribute towards the Recycling Rate.

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

12. Talks and events are held as requested, to promote recycling and waste prevention and these are provided by the Council's Recycling Co-ordinator. Groups visited over the last year include the WI, Rotary Club, and Cub groups. Love Food Fareham workshops have been held at local churches and community centres to raise awareness of food waste.

## **WASTE PREVENTION**

13. In June 2014 the Project Integra Strategic Board approved the Waste Prevention Plan. If waste is prevented, the cost of collecting, transporting and disposing of that waste is avoided.

14. The main priorities for the Waste Prevention Plan are to:

- increase home composting
- reduce avoidable food waste focussing on the Love Food Hate Waste campaign
- develop a central website to promote examples such as the Mail Preference Service, reusable nappies and smart shopping
- promote furniture reuse organisations for bulky waste

15. A project is being trialled by some Councils in Hampshire, including Fareham, to help residents divert furniture to re-use organisations. When a resident calls to book a bulky waste collection, they are asked if the item is in good condition, and if so they are offered the phone number of a local charity who will collect the item for re-use.

16. This has an environmental benefit, a social benefit to the charity, and a personal benefit to the resident, who saves the cost of a bulky waste collection. Accurate figures are difficult to record, because we do not know the outcome of calls to charity, but since the start of 2016 six people have been referred to charity, comprising a total of 19 items of waste. Although these are small numbers, they are expensive individual items which can be valuable to a charity.

### **KERBSIDE RECYCLING**

17. All households in the Borough have access to a fortnightly collection for the following materials:

- **Paper** - Including yellow pages. Shredded paper cannot be collected as it gets blown around in the sorting plant, and can also clog the machinery.
- **Card** - Soiled cardboard such as take-away pizza boxes cannot be recycled.
- **Food tins and drink cans**
- **Aerosols**
- **Plastic bottles** - No other sort of plastic, such as yoghurt pots and food trays are currently accepted.

18. The materials are taken to the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) in Portsmouth, where they are sorted and sent for re-processing into new products.

19. Recycling must be placed loose in the bin, not in bags, as staff at the MRF are unable to see if there is potentially hazardous material in them. The only exception is clear plastic bags, because staff can see if they contain recyclable materials. Clear plastic bags are sent out on request to residents waiting for a recycling bin, or who occasionally have a large amount of recyclable material. Residents are permitted two recycling bins if required.

### **GARDEN WASTE**

20. The Council collects one sack of garden waste fortnightly from all households. Residents wishing to dispose of additional garden waste can purchase disposable bags at a cost of £24.50 for 25 bags, or £6 for 5 bags.

21. No income is received by the Council for the recycling of garden waste; however, the tonnage is included in the recycling figures. In 2015-16 a total of 3,782 tonnes of

garden waste was collected.

### **GLASS RECYCLING BANKS**

22. There is a network of 35 glass bring bank sites across the Borough. In addition, 20 blocks of flats have small glass recycling banks. Approximately 2,000 tonnes of glass is collected per annum.

### **CLOTHING AND TEXTILE RECYCLING BANKS**

23. Since April 2013, clothing and textile recycling banks on public land in Fareham have been managed by the European Recycling Company (ERC), under a four year contract with the Council.

24. There are 29 textile recycling banks across the Borough, and along with those on private land provided by charities, residents have access to 40 such facilities. In the year to March 2016, 244 tonnes were collected. The banks are performing equally well so far this year.

### **RECYCLING BANKS FOR BOOKS, DVDS AND CDS**

25. There are recycling banks across the Borough, which are operated by charities to collect these materials for sale in their shops. Weights collected contribute to the Recycling Rate. An Oxfam book bank at Sainsbury's has recently been removed, because the shop in Fareham was unable to handle the amount of books generated through the bank and the shop. Another book bank is being removed from a pub car park at the request of the landlord.

### **RECYCLING STATISTICS**

26. The tables below show a comparison of recycling figures from the year 2014-15 and 2015-16.

<b>Statistic (total tonnage)</b>	<b>Apr-Mar 14/15</b>	<b>Apr-Mar 15/16</b>
Overall Recycling %	35%	33%
Total Recycling Tonnage	12290	11990
Total Residual Tonnage	22899	24410

<b>Breakdown of Recycling Tonnage</b>	<b>Apr-Mar 14/15</b>	<b>Apr-Mar 15/16</b>
Recycling (blue top bin) total tonnage	6970	6876
Bring Bank Glass total tonnage	2029	2089
Textile bank total tonnage	248	244
Garden waste total tonnage	3924	3782
Paper bank total tonnage	74	35
Book bank total tonnage	75	63
Shoe bank total tonnage (banks on private land)	0.9	0.9

27. The overall Recycling Rate has reduced by 2% compared to the previous year, due to a number of factors. These include the downturn in the newspaper industry, with a corresponding reduction in the amount of print media for recycling and decreased weight of recyclable items collected.
28. It is a trend seen across the Project Integra partnership, and nationally across the UK. Residual waste has risen over the same period, due in part to the economic recovery and greater household spending. However, the amount collected for recycling has not increased. Tonnages of glass collected for recycling have remained about the same.

### **INCOME**

29. The income derived from the sale of dry mixed recycling (blue top bin) materials is allocated back to each authority according to the tonnages collected, and the market price of each material. In the financial year 215-16, Fareham Borough Council received over £230,000 from the sale of recycled materials sent to the MRF.
30. Over £44,000 has been generated from the sale of textiles collected from blue banks across the Borough. The amount received from the sale of glass and textiles has significantly reduced from the previous year, due to the changes in the markets and reduced prices for recyclables. Full details of all income received from recycling for the last five financial years can be found at Appendix A.

### **RISK ASSESSMENT**

31. There are no significant risk considerations in relation to this report.

### **CONCLUSION**

32. The Council currently provides a variety of recycling services that have environmental and financial benefits. However, market prices do vary and, as a result, the levels of income are not guaranteed. For example, the price of glass has reduced from £33 per tonne to £8 per tonne in the past twelve months.
33. Through Project Integra, the Council regularly reviews the type of recycling services it can provide, giving due consideration to issues of sustainability and affordability.
34. The Council continues to work with community groups to promote recycling and waste minimisation, whilst making efficient use of current resources.

### **Background Papers:**

None

### **Reference Papers:**

None

### **Enquiries:**

For further information on this report please contact Sue Hand. (Ext 4554)

## Appendix A

### Summary of Income and Credits Received for Recycling for the Last Five Financial Years

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Sale of material from the MRF	£376,372	£300,300	£297,880	£230,347	£234,467
Sale of glass	£20,095	£26,369	£56,081	£40,049	£15,056
Glass recycling credits*	£66,143	£76,286	£72,220	£69,463	£72,715
Sale of Textiles	-	-	£78,506	£81,918	£44,173
Total	£462,610	£402,955	£504,687	£421,777	£366,411

\*Recycling credits are paid to waste collection authorities (WCA) by their waste disposal authority (WDA). The WCA receives recycling credit in direct proportion to the saving of cost that would otherwise have been incurred to dispose of the waste. The Council receives recycling credits from Hampshire County Council for glass, paper and textiles collected from bring bank sites.

