KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY:

Susan Carey, Cabinet Member for Environment

DECISION NO:

22/00113

For publication

Key decision: YES

Subject Matter / Title of Decision: Revised charges for non-household waste received at Household Waste Recycling Centres.

Decision:

As Cabinet Member for Environment, I agree to increase disposal charges levied at the HWRCs for non-household waste materials and through the main delegations, via the Officer Scheme of Delegation, for the Director of Environment & Waste to review annually and publish charges in line with changing operational costs.

Reason(s) for decision:

KCC operates a network of 19 HWRCs across the county. A policy of charging for the disposal of non-household materials, namely soil, rubble, hardcore and plasterboard was introduced in June 2019. Prior to this, charges for the disposal of vehicle tyres were introduced in 2012.

Prices have not been reviewed since the commencement of the policy in June 2019. It is proposed to increase charges by subsequent years of indexation and actual inflation applied to contracts in 2023/24. These represent the percentage applied to each of the relevant contracted rates, which is the actual cost increase to the Waste Disposal Authority.

Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:

The proposal was considered by Members of the Environment and Transport Cabinet Committee at their meeting on 19 January 2023. The recommendation was endorsed by a recorded majority vote. **Any alternatives considered and rejected:**

The option to hold charges is discounted as the cost of delivering all aspects of the service has risen. The Council wishes to continue to offer this chargeable service as an option to residents rather than prohibit the acceptance of non-household waste materials at HWRCs.

Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:

None

25/01/2023

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