



**LINCOLNSHIRE WASTE PARTNERSHIP**

**06 JULY 2017**

**SUBJECT :** **CHARGING FOR WASTE COLLECTIONS**

**REPORT BY:** **MARK TAYLOR – NORTH KESTEVEN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

## **Purpose of Report**

To seek the views of the Lincolnshire Waste Partnership (LWP) on proposals to align policies for charging for collection of various categories of household waste.

## **Background**

The Controlled Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2012 allow Waste Collection Authorities (WCAs) to make charges for the collection of certain categories of household waste. These are summarised in the table below:

	<b>Type of waste</b>
1	Any article of waste which exceeds 25kg in weight (commonly referred to as a bulky waste collection)
2	Garden waste
3	Dead domestic pets
4	Waste oil or grease
5	Asbestos
6	Side waste
7	Waste collected from premises used wholly or mainly for public meetings
8	Clinical waste and offensive waste produced at a domestic property
9	Waste from a residential hostel
10	Waste from a charity shop selling donated goods originating from domestic property
11	Waste from premises occupied by a community group that collects goods for re-use
12	Litter and refuse collected under section 89(1)f of the Act
13	Waste from a residential home
14	Waste from a premises forming part of a university, school or other educational establishment
15	Waste from premises forming part of hospital or nursing home
16	Waste from a penal institution

Waste Officers have been exploring the current policies of the Lincolnshire WCAs with a view to assessing the appetite for moving towards a common policy position.

Prior to the commencement of the work the position regarding each waste category was as follows:

	<b>Type of waste</b>	<b>Charge</b>	<b>No Charge</b>	<b>Comments</b>
1	Any article of waste which exceeds 25kg in weight (commonly referred to as a bulky waste collection)	7/7	0/7	CoLC – free for benefits claimants
2	Garden waste	6/7	1/7	WLDC free
3	Dead domestic pets	-	3/7	No service offered by 4/7
4	Waste oil or grease	-	-	No service offered
5	Asbestos	-	1/7	No service offered by 6/7
6	Side waste	0/7	7/7	Various policies apply. N/A for SHDC
7	Waste collected from premises used wholly or mainly for public meetings	1/7	5/7	1/7 – no service offered
8	Clinical waste and offensive waste produced at a domestic property	0/7	7/7	-
9	Waste from a residential hostel	2/7	5/7	Most WCAs have no premises in this category
10	Waste from a charity shop selling donated goods originating from domestic property	4/7	3/7	Some WCAs classify as commercial waste
11	Waste from premises occupied by a community group that collects goods for re-use	0/7	0/7	Not applicable – no premises in any WCA
12	Litter and refuse collected under section 89(1)f of the Act	6/7	1/7	NKDC charges for dog waste bin emptying (since altered to F.O.C.)
13	Waste from a residential home	4/7	2/7	1/7 – no service offered
14	Waste from a premises forming part of a university, school or other educational establishment	4/7	2/7	1/7 – no service offered
15	Waste from premises forming part of hospital or nursing home	4/7	1/7	1/7 – no service offered 1/7 – no demand for service

16	Waste from a penal institution	6/7	1/7	Most WCAs have no premises in this category
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As a result of the work undertaken several of the WCAs are proposing changes to their charging approaches. These changes are likely to bring about a significantly enhanced alignment of charging policy (It has not been part of the project to seek agreement on levels of charging.) At this stage North Kesteven District Council is the only WCA to have formulated proposals for change – see table below:

	Type of waste	Current position	Proposed position
1	Any article of waste which exceeds 25kg in weight (commonly referred to as a bulky waste collection)	Charge	Unaltered
2	Garden waste	Charge	Unaltered
3	Dead domestic pets	No service offered	<b>Introduce charge</b> (See Note 1 below)
4	Waste oil or grease	No service offered	<b>Introduce charge</b> (See Note 1 below)
5	Asbestos	No service offered	<b>Introduce charge</b> (See Note 1 below)
6	Side waste	No service offered	Unaltered
7	Waste collected from premises used wholly or mainly for public meetings	No charge	<b>Introduce charge</b> (See Notes 2 and 3 below)
8	Clinical waste and offensive waste produced at a domestic property	No charge	Unaltered
9	Waste from a residential hostel	No charge	Unaltered
10	Waste from a charity shop selling donated goods originating from domestic property	No charge	<b>Introduce charge</b>
11	Waste from premises occupied by a community group that collects goods for re-use	No charge	Unaltered
12	Litter and refuse collected under section 89(1)f of the Act	No charge	Unaltered
13	Waste from a residential home	No charge	<b>Introduce charge</b>
14	Waste from a premises forming part of a university, school or other educational establishment	No charge	<b>Introduce charge</b>

15	Waste from premises forming part of hospital or nursing home	No charge	<b>Introduce charge</b>
16	Waste from a penal institution	No charge	<b>Introduce charge</b>

Notes:

1. Use third party and recover costs plus administration charge
2. No charge for places of worship
3. 'Collection credit' for community facilities based on charge for 240 litre residual and 240 litre recycling bins

The proposed changes to charging policy for NKDC are due to be considered at the Council's Executive Board meeting on 06 June 2017. Based on the suggested charging regime it is anticipated that additional income of around £90,000 would be achieved in a full year.

**LWP role**

This report is made in line with recent decisions at the LWP regarding governance arrangements, which included an agreement to refer all strategic waste decisions for consultation and comment to the LWP before implementation. The proposal to introduce charging for these waste categories would fall within that arrangement.

It is of course the case that the deliberations of the LWP are not binding on member authorities.

**Recommendation**

That the Lincolnshire Waste Partnership affirms the proposal to move towards closer alignment of policies for charging for collection of various categories of household waste.