

CABINET
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BULKY WASTE CHARGES

Cabinet Member(s): Cllr Clive Eginton, Cabinet Member for Environment
Responsible Officer: Stuart Noyce, Group Manager for Street Scene and Open Spaces

Reason for Report: To provide members with an alternative charging structure for bulky waste.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Cabinet abolishes the current fixed price item charge of £27.00 for bulky waste as recommended by the Environment PDG on 8 January 2019.

Financial Implications: An approximate increase of £500 per annum is anticipated.

Legal Implications: None arising from this report.

Risk Assessment: None arising from this report.

Equality Impact Assessment: None.

Relationship to Corporate Plan: To deliver our Corporate Plan priorities within existing financial resources.

1.0 Introduction/Background

- 1.1 At its meeting on 8 January 2019, members of the Environment PDG asked that the bulky waste charges be investigated to ensure that they were in line with other authorities in Devon. As part of this exercise it was shown that in certain instances users were actually paying less for more items being removed under the fixed price items charge.

2.0 Current Charges

- 2.1 The Council's current charging structure for bulky waste is in line with other authorities in Devon but the current charging option of fixed price items meant that some users are paying less for more items being removed. The following table provides details of the current charging structure.

One item (electrical or non-electrical)*	£20
Each additional item	£9
Fixed price items**	£27

*A bed, headboard, base and mattress counts as one item.

**Fixed price items include:

- Table including up to 4 chairs
- Three-piece suite (settee and 2 armchairs)

3.0 Bulky Waste Charges in Devon

3.1 The following provides analysis of the bulky waste charges across Devon:

Environment PDG - Bulky Waste Collection Charges in Devon										
		No of items (Price includes booking fee/collection charge)								
	booking fee / collection charge	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Proposed Price increase 2019/20
Teignbridge	£20.00	£28.00	£36.00	£44.00	£52.00	£60.00	£68.00	£76.00	£84.00	
North Devon	£0.00	£15.00	£15.00	£22.00	£29.00					
East Devon	£0.00	£31.00	£31.00	£31.00	£36.00	£41.00	£46.00	£51.00	£56.00	
Exeter City	£11.00	£22.00	£33.00	£44.00	£55.00	£66.00	£77.00	£88.00	£99.00	3% rounded to nearest 5p
South Hams	£0.00	£18.00	£36.00	£54.00	£72.00	£90.00	£108.00	£126.00	£144.00	
Torridge	£0.00	£19.50	£19.50	£32.50	£32.50					
West Devon	£0.00	£15.00	£30.00	£45.00	£60.00	£75.00	£90.00	£105.00	£120.00	
Mid Devon	£0.00	£20.00	£29.00	£38.00	£47.00	£56.00	£65.00	£74.00	£83.00	
	No. Items									
	1	2	3	4						
MDDC Vs Ave	-£1.06	£0.31	-£0.81	-£0.94						
% Vrs Ave	-5.04	1.09	-2.09	-1.96						

4.0 Cost to the Council

4.1 The increase in income to the Council would be less than £1k per annum and is estimated to be around £500. An accurate figure cannot be calculated as the system cannot show how many bookings and items within each booking were undertaken in the past under the fixed item option.

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