

Declarations of Interest

Any Member attending the meeting is reminded of the requirement to declare if he/she has a personal interest in any item of business, as defined in the Code of Conduct. If that interest is a prejudicial interest as defined in the Code the Member should also withdraw from the meeting.

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Minutes**
To receive the minutes of the meeting of the PAG held on 1 March 2016. (Pages 5 - 6)
3. **Reports from Members**
To receive any reports from the Chairman or PAG Members.
4. **Current Issues**
The Portfolio Holder and Head of Service to update Members on Part 1 current issues relating to the PAG and to receive feedback from Members (if any).
REPORTS LIKELY TO LEAD TO THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER MAKING A RECOMMENDATION TO CABINET
5. **Joint Waste Committee for Buckinghamshire - Dissolution**
To note the report of the Portfolio Holder for Environment. (Pages 7 - 10)
REPORTS TO NOTE
6. **Biffa Annual Report 2015/16**
To consider the report of the Portfolio Holder for Environment. (Pages 11 - 16)
7. **Flytipping and Enforcement Update**
To consider the report of the Portfolio Holder for Environment. (Pages 17 - 20)
8. **Any other business**
Any other business which the Portfolio Holder considers is urgent.
9. **Exempt Information**
“That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 following item of business is not for publication to the press or public on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.”
(para 3 - Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information))
10. **Current Issues (Part II)**
The Portfolio Holder and Head of Service to update Members on Part II current issues relating to the PAG and to receive feedback from Members (if any).

The next meeting of the PAG is due to take place on Tuesday, 13 September 2016

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ENVIRONMENT POLICY ADVISORY GROUP

Meeting - 1 March 2016

Present: Mrs Sullivan (Chairman)
Mr Bradford, Miss Hazell and Mr D Smith

Apologies for absence: Mr Harding and Mr Read

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the PAG held on 8 December were received.

2. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

None received.

3. CURRENT ISSUES

None.

4. DECC COMMUNITIES FUND PROJECT

The PAG received a report updating Members on energy efficiency and fuel poverty within South Bucks, and were asked to consider the next steps.

The report informed the PAG that in March 2014 South Bucks District Council and 14 other local authorities won £2,574,991 from the Department for Energy and Climate Change (DECC) to retrofit solid wall insulation (SWI). The purpose was to generate interest in the Green Deal programme and to create the local infrastructure necessary to deliver improvements, with SBDC being appointed 'Accountable Body' for the partnership - responsible for financial probity / risk, and overall decision-making.

It was noted by the PAG that following altered priorities and direction from Central Government, the Project has now re-focused activity to reduce fuel poverty via energy efficiency methods such as cavity wall insulation, underfloor heating etc. These are measures that are already popular with residents, and as such, forecasts predict that the project is likely to surpass its goal of installing energy efficiency measures in 586 dwellings.

As of December 2015 there were:

- 566 Green Deal Assessments / EPC's completed
- 311 sign ups
- 299 completed SWI installations
- 8 finance packages provided through the Green Deal Investment Bank.

Furthermore, the Project Board has demonstrated effective partnership working across 15 local authorities, having delivered significant reductions in household energy usage, alongside savings to the wider health and social care economy, and reductions in CO2 emissions.

The PAG were informed that by 31 March offers for grants will cease, with installations, audits, evidence-gathering and other documentation to conclude by September 2016. In order to continue to provide fuel poverty measures, several LA's are looking at alternative ways to fund this, including the Bucks Affordable Warmth Network, managed by Chiltern

District Council. The AWN is seeking further Energy Company Obligation payments from companies including E.ON, with such funding being able to aid with the installation of capital measures. Members suggested ways to further aid exposure of the scheme, with officers agreeing to look into these.

It was therefore **RESOLVED that** the report be noted.

5. CLEAN FOR THE QUEEN

Members received a verbal update regarding the Clean for The Queen Initiative, taking place over the weekend of the 4th – 6th March, prior to the celebrations of Queen Elizabeth II's 90th birthday. Members noted that this was a nationwide initiative that would also aid in improving the condition of the district, and could be undertaken by community groups, schools, and the Council's own staff. Members were further informed that equipment, including purple sacks, litter pickers and high-visibility vests had already been sourced and could be lent to groups, subject to availability.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Following questions from members concerning untidiness caused by residents placing food loosely within food bins, the Head of Environment clarified to the PAG that SBDC would be undertaking targeted recycling campaigns.

7. CURRENT ISSUES (PART II)

None.

The meeting terminated at 6.35 pm

SUBJECT:	<i>Joint Waste Committee for Buckinghamshire - Dissolution</i>
REPORT OF:	<i>Portfolio Holder for Environment – Councillor Luisa Sullivan</i>
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	<i>Chris Marchant, Head of Environment</i>
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WARD/S AFFECTED	<i>All</i>

1. Purpose of Report

To consider how the Joint Waste Strategy 2014-2020 will be progressed following the dissolution of the Joint Waste Committee for Buckinghamshire.

RECOMMENDATIONS to Cabinet that:

- 1 subject to the formal agreement of all the constituent authorities, the Joint Waste Committee for Buckinghamshire be dissolved and the twelve months' notice required by the Committee's Constitution be waived;
- 2 the Joint Waste Partnership be retained as an informal entity to carry out activities to support the delivery of the Joint Waste Strategy 2014-2020;
- 3 a Memorandum of Understanding, as outlined in the report of the officers, be drawn up to regulate the activities of the Joint Waste Partnership with authority being delegated to the Head of Environment in consultation with the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to agree the precise terms;
- 4 the remaining funds in the approved budget of the Joint Waste Committee, once committed expenditure has been met, be used to fund a continued fly-tipping campaign across Buckinghamshire;
- 5 the grant awarded by the Department for Communities and Local Government for the Fighting Food Waste project be used to support the activities described in the bid for funding;
- 6 the partner Councils give consideration to making budgetary provision for the ongoing work of the Partnership once the remaining budget has been utilised, expected to be for the financial year 2018/19 and thereafter.

2. Reasons for Recommendations

Now that the Joint Waste Strategy 2014-2020 is established and all of the Buckinghamshire district councils have rolled out new collection services, the Joint Waste Committee for Buckinghamshire (JWC) has decided, subject to the formal agreement of its constituent authorities, that the Strategy can be delivered in a more efficient manner by dissolving the formal joint committee and adopting a more streamlined and less formal structure.

3. Content of Report

- 3.1. The JWC received a report at its last meeting, 20 January 2016, to consider how the work of the Committee could best be progressed.
- 3.2. The JWC had originally been established in 2004 to deliver the aims and objectives of the county-wide Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy.
- 3.3. The report set out the background to the JWC, including its achievements since its formation in 2004. New collection services and procurement contracts in all

authorities, a forecast underspend of a little over £125,000 at year end 2015/16 and the Waste Partnership Officer vacancy provided an opportunity for Members to review the current partnership arrangements in place. The report set out a number of options for Members to consider. During the discussion a number of Members suggested that the JWC be streamlined to improve efficiency and replace the formal decision making structure that was no longer required. A distinction was made between the formal JWC decision making structure and the Buckinghamshire Waste Partnership that referred to activities carried out jointly by the Districts and County Council and the joint branding. Members recognised the benefits of working together and were keen to continue the sharing of knowledge between authorities within the Partnership. Members were also particularly keen to continue the successful fly-tipping campaign, DCLG funded activities, and reducing littering. It was agreed by the JWC that activities to reduce littering were best carried out by the Districts due to the close links with the waste collection and street cleansing arrangements delivered by the District Councils. During the discussion it was noted that joint officer groups would be needed to enable specific projects to continue to be delivered jointly by the Partnership.

3.4. Section 17 of the JWC Constitution enabled the JWC to be dissolved provided that a minimum of 12 months written notice was provided, to expire on 31 March in any year. Members noted that this notice period could be waived provided that there was agreement from each participating Council's Cabinet.

3.5. The JWC made the following recommendations, which are now incorporated into the recommendations in this report for consideration by the Cabinets of each constituent authority:

"1. That the Joint Waste Committee for Buckinghamshire be dissolved without a minimum 12 month notice period, subject to agreement from the Cabinet of each participating Council.

2. That the Joint Waste Partnership be retained as an informal entity to carry out specific joint activities on behalf of Buckinghamshire County Council and the District Councils, including the fly-tipping campaign and activities relating to the funding received from the Department for Communities and Local Government.

3. That activities to reduce littering be carried out by the District Councils."

3.6. The County and District waste officers are developing a Memorandum of Understanding to provide adequate governance arrangements that will regulate the work of the informal Partnership and will replace the formal constitution of the JWC. The MoU will address the following issues:

3.6.1. Participating organisations

3.6.2. Rationale/scope

3.6.3. Goals and objectives (based on the Joint Waste Strategy and the specific activities identified by the JWC)

3.6.4. Governance

3.6.5. Resources

3.6.6. Review and evaluation

3.7. Activities based around the Joint Waste Strategy will be ongoing, with the initial meeting of the informal Waste Partnership expected to be scheduled for September 2016.

3.8. An annual report will be submitted to Members to keep them informed of progress against the objectives of the Joint Waste Strategy.

4. Consultation

All of the constituent authorities are represented on the JWC so have been consulted upon and involved in the decision making to date. It is the formal dissolution of the JWC that requires the involvement of each Authority’s Cabinet.

5. Options

The options available for continuing to deliver the joint Waste Strategy were considered at length by the JWC and it is their recommendations that are now presented.

6. Corporate Implications

6.1. Financial – the JWC hold a budget surplus of around £125,000 (subject to existing commitments) and activities will be funded from that surplus until the remaining budget has been utilised, expected to be 2018/19, when further budgetary provision will need to be considered;

6.2. Legal – the actions under the Joint Waste Strategy will continue to be delivered under the operational powers of the relevant Director/Head of Service in each constituent authority;

6.3. Environmental, Partnership, and Sustainability – the new arrangements will ensure that the aims of the Joint Waste Strategy are delivered in a more efficient manner.

7. Links to Council Policy Objectives

The work to deliver the Joint Waste Strategy directly supports the policy objective to conserve the environment and promote sustainability.

8. Next Steps

The terms of the MoU for the informal Joint Waste Partnership will be finalised in readiness for the Partnership to continue to deliver the aims of the Joint Waste Strategy.

<p>Background Papers:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint Waste Strategy for Buckinghamshire 2014 – 2020 • Agenda and Minutes of the Joint Waste Committee for Buckinghamshire 20 January 2016 <p>It is a legal requirement that we make available any background papers relied on to prepare the report and should be listed at the end of the report (copies of Part 1 background papers for executive decisions must be provided to Democratic Services)</p>
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SUBJECT:	Biffa Annual Report 2015/16
REPORT OF:	Portfolio Holder for the Environment Cllr Luisa Sullivan
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WARD/S AFFECTED	All wards

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To inform Members of the progress of the Council's contract with Biffa Municipal Ltd in 2015/16 as recommended by an Internal Audit.

RECOMMENDATION

Members are asked to note the content of this report.

2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 The contract for waste and recycling collections and street cleaning is the largest held by South Bucks DC and was subject to an internal audit in February 2016.
- 2.2 The auditor set the following brief:
- Up to date policies/procedures are in place and accessible, which are compliant with current legislation.
 - To review the controls in place for the Waste Collection Service.
 - Appropriate, accurate and complete records for the Waste Collection Service are maintained.
 - Monitoring and management of the Waste Collection Service is appropriate and fit for purpose.
- 2.3 There are four potential outcomes of an internal audit; namely no assurance, limited assurance, reasonable assurance and substantial assurance. The latter of these was achieved.
- 2.4 The auditor can make four different recommendations for change; namely urgent, important, routine and operational. Two routine recommendations were made and these are included in the key findings from the auditor as follows:
- The Waste Collection Service at South Bucks council is working well with BIFFA providing a very good service which has received complementary recognition.
 - The Governance of the service would be enhanced by a regular report to Members on how the service is performing year on year.

- The Policies and Procedures for the waste Collection Service should be reviewed on a regular basis, say every two years, to confirm they are still current.

2.4 The little used policies referred to have since been updated and this is the first report, which the auditor recommended be presented to Members annually, to satisfy the above recommendation.

3. Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 As above.

4. Content of Report

4.1 The abovementioned contract with Biffa Municipal Ltd began originally with Verdant Group Plc on 1st November 2007 and has since been extended with Biffa, whose investors purchased Verdant, until 31st October 2021.

4.2 Communication and partnership working to overcome day to day and longer term challenges has always underpinned the contract. Representatives ranging from Members to Operatives from SBDC and Biffa work together and meet regularly at all levels; in Partnership Improvement Board, Operations, Supervisors and Safety Improvement Team meetings and as such no major problems or issues have arisen during the contract period that could not be resolved.

4.3 Key facts from the contract are as follows:

Service Requests:

7,363 justified contract instructions were sent to Biffa during 2015/16 (an unjustified request would be for example, a request to return to a property where the crew had already reported a bin as not being out). A detailed breakdown is reviewed at Operations and Performance Improvement Board Meetings, but can broadly be categorised as follows:

- 1,755 refuse related requests;
- 2,570 recycling or garden waste related requests;
- 1,075 street cleansing related requests;
- 1,963 General/information/other requests.

Defaults:

Contractual resolution times for all service requests are pre-programmed into the Uniform system and monitored each week to see if any have been passed. Biffa are then given the opportunity to resolve them quickly and to date it has not been necessary to issue any defaults.

Complaints:

A complaint is considered as such when it is dealt with in line with our 3-stage procedure. In 2015/16 we dealt with twenty three Stage 1, two stage 2 and

two stage 3 complaints and recorded 13 compliments. This included 1 premature complaint to the Ombudsman that had not been through our complaints process and was resolved at Stage 1. It is worth noting that a majority of the complaints relate to one specific week where we had a brief issue with our garden waste collection crew. Seventeen of the above complaints alone were recorded in February 2016.

Garden Waste Service:

Officers envisaged during the design phase that 7,000 customers would be interested in taking part in the service. In 2015/16 which was the 2nd year of the service, 7,648 customers signed up, an increase from 6,476 the previous year. In order to cope with the extra customers one of the old refuse collection vehicles was retained and refurbished for use during the busiest 6 months of the year.

Performance Indicators and other targets:

During the year the following targets have been monitored:

<u>Percentage of household waste sent for disposal</u>					
13/14 Target	66%	14/15 Target	55%	15/16 Target	50%
13/14 Result	66.61%	14/15 Result	48.50%	15/16 Result	47.23%

<u>Percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting</u>					
13/14 Target	34%	14/15 Target	45%	15/16 Target	50%
13/14 Result	33.81%	14/15 Result	51.3%	15/16 Result	52.77%

<u>Missed household collections per month</u>					
13/14 Target	75/125*	14/15 Target	125	15/16 Target	125/100*
13/14 Result	99.4	14/15 Result	154.8	15/16 Result	89.3

**Target changed part way through year in agreement with Portfolio Holder.*

<u>Average time taken to remove fly tips in days</u>					
13/14 Target	2	14/15 Target	2	15/16 Target	2
13/14 Result	2.25	14/15 Result	3.07	15/16 Result	2.2

The tables above show that aside from the time taken to remove flytips that targets have been met. It is worth noting that unlike everywhere else, we have for many years been counting weekends when calculating the time taken to remove flytips and from 2016/17 this will change to working days only for consistency.

NI195 was for many years the national performance indicator used to measure levels of litter, detritus, graffiti and fly posting. When this indicator was abandoned, we in Bucks continued with a slightly modified version which reflected the nature of the County better. We have now replaced this with a new inspection regime which better meets our needs and commenced this

system in April 2015. Therefore any comparison with previous years' data should be treated with caution.

At least 200 assessments are included in the data and the results indicate the percentage of roads inspected that were below standard for litter and detritus. This is not a PI so no target has been set. The previous target for detritus was 8% so the general aim is to stay below this. The results for last financial year are as follows:

Quarter 1: 8%
Quarter 2: 15%
Quarter 3: 6%
Quarter 4: 7%

During Quarter 2 replacement of our aged street cleansing fleet was well overdue and Biffa were struggling to keep them on the road. The new fleet ordered at the beginning of the calendar year were delivered in Q3.

Health and Safety:

Biffa were awarded 5 stars by the British Safety Council in 2015/16 and routine visits by the HSE have been highly satisfactory and have not lead to any interventions.

During 2015/16 there was 1 RIDDOR reportable incident on our contract. All hazards and near misses reported by the Operatives are investigated and monitored and health and safety remains a top priority.

Budget Monitoring:

The total net revenue budget for the service was £2.993m in 2015/16 and the service was delivered within budget.

- 4.4 Members will be aware that a comprehensive service change took place in February 2014 and although service changes in flats have continued into the 2015/16 financial year, no other major changes have taken place.
- 4.5 The refuse and recycling fleet was replaced in February/March 2014, but the replacement of the street cleansing fleet was delayed until 2015/16, partly to concentrate on the service roll out and partly due to the long lead in times for some of the specialist vehicles. The grab vehicle was refurbished rather than replaced because it is not used full time. Cosmetic repairs to this vehicle may be required in 2016/17. SBDC now owns the entire fleet, with Biffa operating, maintaining and insuring them on our behalf.
- 4.6 Although the contract has on the whole gone well, there are a few challenges that have needed to be overcome in the 2015/16 year:
- Two different Business Managers were at the helm of the Biffa contract in 2015/16 (or three if you look at the calendar year 2015). This has lead to some instability, although not enough to affect services. However general staff turnover, including of the

Supervisors who play a crucial role in managing the Operatives, has been low.

- A general increase in litter over the past few years has been noted both anecdotally and via our own monitoring. This is largely attributable to the Beaconsfield MSA and enquiries as to what legal action can be taken have so far not been fruitful.
- Suppliers have been a little unreliable with regards to manufacture and delivery dates which has made stock control difficult.

5. Consultation

Not Applicable.

6. Options

6.1 Members are asked to note the content of this report.

7. Corporate Implications

7.1 There are no corporate implications arising from this report.

7.2 There are no legal issues identified at this time.

8. Links to Council Policy Objectives

This matter is related to the following local and national policy objectives:

- The current Joint Waste Management Strategy for Bucks policies, including “securing a long-term strategy for the management of wastes for which the member authorities are collectively responsible”.
- The Council’s recycling/composting target of 60% by 2025 as part of the Joint Waste Management Strategy for Bucks. The national target of 45% by 2015 and 50% by 2020. There are no longer District specific targets.

9. Next Step

The service and contract will continue to be monitored and an updated report will be presented to Members this time next year.

Background Papers:	Contract Documents Covalent and other service monitoring and reporting documents.
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SUBJECT:	Flytipping and Enforcement Update
REPORT OF:	Portfolio Holder for the Environment Cllr Luisa Sullivan
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WARD/S AFFECTED	No specific wards affected

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To update Members on the 2015/16 flytipping enforcement programme.

RECOMMENDATION

Members are asked to note the content of this report.

2. Executive Summary

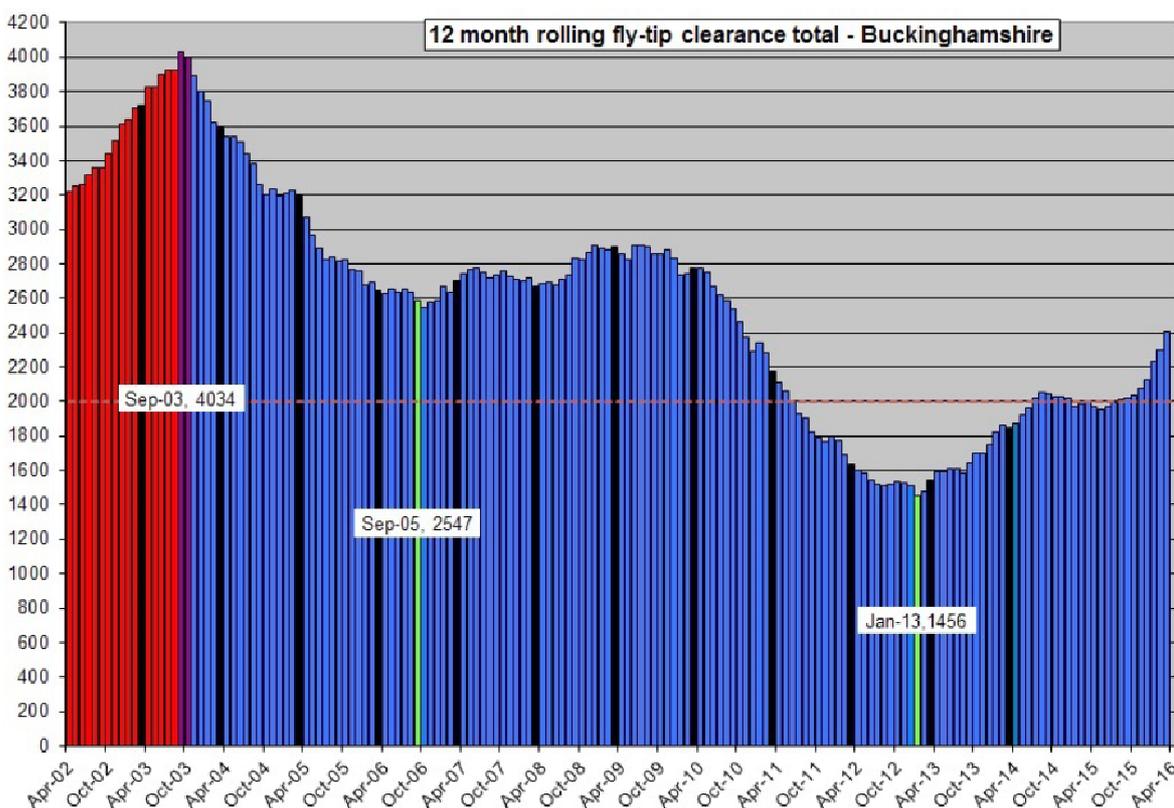
- 2.1 South Bucks Flytipping has historically been a bigger problem in the South Bucks District in comparison to other areas in Bucks due to our proximity and abundance of quiet rural areas that attract flytippers.
- 2.2 A County-wide anti-flytipping campaign called Illegal Dumping Costs was launched in November 2003. Authorities in Bucks had recorded an annual increase of 10% in flytipping over the 3-5 years prior to the campaign launch.
- 2.3 This is a campaign run in a partnership between all five authorities and coordinated by Officers funded by the Joint Waste Committee and based at County Hall. Direct enforcement within the campaign has been a notable example of successful partnership working within two-tier local government.
- 2.4 The campaign has run for well over 10 years now and was re-launched in 2009 with new publicity and roadshows, including on our refuse vehicles.
- 2.5 This report covers the flytipping and enforcement highlights of the financial year 2015 - 2016.

3. Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 No recommendations arise from this report.

4. Content of Report

- 4.1 In 2015-16 we saw a rise in fly-tipping clearances in Buckinghamshire as a whole and in our district as illustrated in the graph below:



4.2 The numbers were still at lower levels than we have seen in previous years, but there has clearly been an increase which we have sought to target with enforcement work in partnership with colleagues in the Bucks CC Enforcement Team.

In South Bucks, the number of flytips has followed the general County-wide pattern:

Year	No of tips
2009-10	842
2010-11	511
2011-12	341
2012-13	363
2013-14	359
2014-15	484
2015-16	549

4.3 In terms of enforcement response, 23 cases were submitted for offences relating to flytips in South Bucks in 2015-16 to BCC Legal Services. This compares with 17 in 2014-15 (a rise of around a third). If we exclude waste carrier cases it was 19 cases 2015-16 compared with 15 in 2014-15. More than one flytipper has been prosecuted per week by The Waste Partnership in the last 5 years.

4.4 Notwithstanding that the number of prosecutions relating to incidents occurring in our district are proportionately higher than elsewhere in relation to population size, the Enforcement team at Bucks CC have been carrying out significantly increased surveillance work against fly-tipping in recent months which has brought considerable success in SBDC. Indeed in the first 2 months

of 2016/17 alone 9 cases have been submitted and this trend is predicted to continue. Every case is publicised and it is hoped that during the 2016/17 financial year the benefit of this will be apparent with a reduction in flytips.

4.5 At the time this report was submitted last year, a prolific tyre flytipper had been caught only a few weeks previously. In 2014-15 from Autumn to Spring between 30 and 50 dumping incidents involving the dumping of waste tyres were experienced especially in South Bucks. The collection and disposal of the waste tyres involved considerable technical difficulty and expense. A co-ordinated enforcement response including significant input from Thames Valley Police resulted in the arrest of a suspect in May 2015. That case is ongoing with a man and a woman facing charges relating to the tyre dumping.

4.5 However we have had some notable convictions and case submissions (which are still going through the legal process) in the past year

- A Slough man was imprisoned for persistent waste dumping following a joint investigation and prosecution with Slough Borough Council
<http://www.sloughexpress.co.uk/News/All-Areas/Slough/Slough-man-jailed-for-multiple-fly-tipping-offences-14072015.htm>
- A man was ordered to pay around £5,000 over a duty of care failure in Littleworth Common which led to dumping on Hedgerley Lane
http://m.bucksfreepress.co.uk/news/14382100.Named_and_shamed_Man_fined_more_than_5_000_after_rubbish_found_dumped_in_lane
- A man was ordered to pay nearly £2,500 for dumping waste which comprised around the contents of a single bin bag on Andrew Hill Lane
http://www.bucksfreepress.co.uk/beaconsfield/14404816.PICTURES_Flytipper_fined_2_500_for_leaving_one_bag_of_rubbish_at_roadside
- A man and a company from London have been ordered to pay over £7,500 regarding the dumping of six commercial freezers on the approach to Burnham Beeches in August 2015. (Court order given on 18/05/16 and PR being prepared)

4.6 In response to the drastic reduction in flytips a few years ago, the decision was made in 2011 to reduce contract costs by operating our grab vehicle part-time. The average time taken to remove flytips in recent years is as follows:

Average time taken to remove fly tips					
13/14 Target	2	14/15 Target	2	15/16 Target	2
13/14 Result	2.25	14/15 Result	3.07	15/16 Result	2.2

This has been partly due to the increase in difficult to remove flytips but also attributable to the fact that we have been counting weekends within the number of days needed to remove flytips whereas this is not standard practice elsewhere. This is likely to be a historical decision because many years ago flytips were removed by contractors at the weekend on occasion, but going forward the Portfolio Holder has agreed that we will count working days only from this financial year. This is combination with the reinstatement of proactive flytipping removal is likely to see us meet our target this year.

4.7 Members are asked to note that the dissolution of the Joint Waste Committee discussed elsewhere on this agenda is highly unlikely to have an

impact on the consistently excellent service we receive from our colleagues in the Flytipping Enforcement Team at Bucks CC or the way we work in partnership with them on a daily basis.

Financially there are sufficient monies accrued in the JWC budget to fund the campaign for the coming 2 years (including the recruitment of an apprentice), which means we will not be required to contribute for the near future. Contributions once this money runs out are still to be formally agreed but are anticipated to be well within the annual amount we have contributed to the JWC to date and represent good value for money.

5. Consultation

Not Applicable

6. Options

No options are recommended in this report.

7. Corporate Implications

7.1 There are no financial issues identified at this time

7.2 There are no legal issues identified at this time

8. Links to Council Policy Objectives

This matter is related to the following local and national policy objectives:

- South Bucks Sustainable Community Strategy and Corporate Plan Key Theme - Sustainable Environment - protecting our heritage, protecting our future.
- Council priority to continue to improve the street scene and cleanliness of the district as a key public services coordinator
- The current Joint Waste Management Strategy for Bucks policies, including “securing a long-term strategy for the management of wastes for which the member authorities are collectively responsible”.
- The Council’s recycling/composting target of 60% by 2025 as part of the Joint Waste Management Strategy for Bucks. The national target of 45% by 2015 and 50% by 2020. There are no longer District specific targets.

9. Next Step

The service will continue to be monitored.

Background	None
Papers:	