

Report for:	Environment & Housing Scrutiny Panel September 2013	Item Number:	11
Title:	Waste and Recycling Services: Update on earlier Cabinet Response on the introduction of the new waste and recycling collection system.		
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Ward(s) affected:		Report for	Key/Non Key Decisions:

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 The first report of the Environment and Housing Scrutiny Panel on the introduction of the new waste and recycling service contained a number of recommendations to inform the planned roll-out of the service across Haringey. This report provides an update on the original Cabinet response to the scrutiny recommendations and details a number of additional actions that have been pursued.

2. Cabinet Member introduction

2.1 Not applicable.

3. Recommendations

3.1 The panel note the update on the actions arising from its original recommendations and the further actions being taken to sustain and increase the council's recycling rate.

4. Alternative options considered

4.1 Not applicable.

5. Background information

5.1 The implementation of the fortnightly waste collection/weekly recycling collection service provided a major boost to the borough's recycling rate in 2012/13, with this increasing by 5.9 percentage points to 32.2%.



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- 5.2 The Panel undertook a review of recycling arrangements in October 2012 and made a range of recommendations to Cabinet, the majority of which were accepted. An update on the Cabinet response can be found in Appendix A.
- 5.3 The council is seeking to sustain and take forward the increase achieved last year in the current year and the actions previously reported to you are being supplemented by:
 - Food waste recycling trial on estates
 - · Street cleansing recycling
 - Reduced contamination

Officers are also examining the potential for:

- Increased kerbside food waste
- Increased dry recycling from estates/flats
- Street recycling bins
- Parks green waste
- Estates leaf fall
- Textile collections from schools
- Increased electrical item collection

6. Comments of the Chief Finance Officer and financial implications

- 6.1 The majority of the actions arising from the Panel's original recommendations are being implemented at no or minimal costs and thus are being contained within existing resources.
- 6.2 Where an action has a clear budgetary implication which would incur additional cost outside of the contractual budget envelope, Cabinet would need to agree appropriate budgetary provision.

7. Head of Legal Services and legal implications

- 7.1 The Head of Legal Services notes the contents of the report and advises that there are no specific legal issues.
- 7.2 The actions will need to be carried out pursuant to the council's Waste Management Contract with Veolia.

8. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments

8.1 Policy and Equality Team comment that there are no specific equalities implications arising from the recommendations and actions proposed in this report as no significant adverse and disproportionate impact is likely on any particular group covered by Section 4 of the Equality Act 2010.

9. Head of Procurement Comments

9.1 This report has no procurement implications.

10. Policy Implications



10.1 There are no specific policy implications linked to the recommendations noted in this report.

11. Reasons for Decision

11.1 This report invites the Panel to note the progress with previous and the new actions being taken to increase recycling in the borough.

12. Use of Appendices

12.1 Appendix A: Response to Scrutiny Panel recommendations – August 2013 update

13. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

13.1 None.