

HAMBLETON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report To: Scrutiny Committee
21 November 2019

From: Chairman of Scrutiny Committee

Subject: **POLICY REVIEW – RECYLING**

All Wards

1.0 SUMMARY:

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to gather evidence from appropriate individuals in order to progress the Review.

2.0 BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 The Committee has previously agreed to undertake this Review and identified information and issues that it would like to consider. The Project Plan for the review is attached as Annex A.
- 2.2 The Terms of Reference of the review are as follows:

3.0 INFORMATION AND ISSUES:

- 3.1 The following Hambleton District Council officer will be in attendance at the meeting:

- Paul Staines, Director of Environment
- Jeff Green, UPM

4.0 RECOMMENDATION:

- 4.1 It is recommended that the Committee determines information that it would like officers to report upon to the next meeting of the Committee and other issues which they would like considered in respect of the Policy Review.

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Background papers: None

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SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

POLICY REVIEW – RECYCLING

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

To review the existing policies regarding household recycling; investigate how recyclables are currently being collected and processed and to explore whether more can be done to improve recycling rates across the District.

SCOPE

- To review existing recycling policies.
- To assess current recycling arrangements and gain an understanding of how household recycling services are delivered.
- To evaluate the Council's current performance.
- To review how the Council publicises its recycling service and whether improvements could be made to improve awareness amongst residents.
- To consider best practice in other Local Authorities.
- To consider the potential impact of the DEFRA Waste and Resources Strategy

OBJECTIVES

- To investigate whether the current recycling policies remain fit for purpose.
- To explore whether current recycling arrangements are effective.
- To identify whether there are any areas of improvement to increase household recycling numbers.
- To ascertain whether current methods of publicity are effective or could be improved.
- To consider best practice in other Local Authorities.

WITNESSES

- Paul Staines, Director of Environment
- Gary Brown, Operations Manager
- Tracey Flint, Recycling Officers
- Representative from UPM - Kymmene
- Representative from Yorwaste
- Representative from appropriate Local Authority

DOCUMENTS/EVIDENCE

- Waste and Recycling Policies
- Statistics
- Benchmarking
- Site Visits to local Recycling Stations if required

OTHER METHODS/CONSULTATION/RESEARCH

Task and Finish Groups.

OFFICER SUPPORT

Louise Hancock, Democratic Services Officer
Gary Nelson, Director of Law and Governance (Monitoring Officer)

TIMESCALE

Commencing September 2019 – Concluding February 2020
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