

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Executive Decision Record**

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Date:	22 July 2016
Title:	Household Waste Recycling Centre Service Efficiencies Implementation
Reference:	7534
Report From:	Director of Economy, Transport and Environment

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport notes the key findings of the public consultation held from 16 March 2016 to 25 May 2016 on the future of the Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) service as highlighted in this report.
- 1.2. That, taking into account the responses to the consultation, the Executive Member for Environment and Transport approves the implementation of the following to the HWRC service;
 - i. That no sites are fully closed to meet Hampshire County Council's 2017 savings target.
 - ii. That there is a network-wide reduction in opening hours of two (2) hours per day, with a revised opening of 11am – 6pm in the Summer and 11am – 4pm in the Winter, starting from 1 January 2017.
 - iii. That all sites are closed on a Thursday each week, starting from 1 January 2017.
 - iv. That a system of cross-border charging is introduced of £2 per visit for non-Hampshire residents to commence no later than 1 September 2017.
 - v. That the implementation date of previously approved charging regimes for small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) trade waste and DIY charging is 1 October 2016.
 - vi. To approve the list of chargeable non-household waste as set out in paragraph 5.5 of this report.
- 1.3. That the Executive Member for Environment and Transport gives approval for a request to be made to central government to review the legislation that currently prohibits the charging of residents to access the HWRCs, to enable a charge to be made by Waste Disposal Authorities if they choose to do so.

1.4. That authority be delegated to the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment, in consultation with the Executive Member for Environment and Transport, and the Head of Legal Services as necessary, to implement all of the necessary operational and contractual changes and other actions for the recommendations to take effect.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

2.1. To realise savings from the cost of running the HWRC service in order to deliver the proposed savings target of £1.55million, as set out in the HWRC consultation document.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. A range of options were consulted on during the HWRC consultation as set out in the HWRC consultation document, with a number of these having been rejected at this time as a result of the responses received.

4. Conflicts of interest:

4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:

4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

I thank deputations for attending and speaking on this item and also Cllr Pearce for his support. I accept the letter from Hampshire County Council's Economy, Transport and Environment Select Committee and appreciate their support for the recommendations, and have put back the implementation of opening hours reductions for an additional three months to allow greater advance publicity and communications, recognising the importance of this matter which was also raised generally during the Select Committee's deliberations.

I also thank officers for their hard work throughout the consultation and their care and consideration with all the feedback and the large number of responses received from residents across Hampshire.

Following the discussions on this item, the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment will now be engaging with Stakeholders and preparing a Hampshire Strategy to address Fly Tipping, which will be brought forward for consideration to a future Decision Day before the implementation of the reduced HWRC site opening hours in January 2017

Approved by:

Date:

22 July 2016

**Executive Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor Rob Humby**

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