REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENTAL AND AGENDA ITEM: 19

**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** 

**COMMITTEE** 

DATE OF 15 AUGUST 2019 CATEGORY:

MEETING: DELEGATED or RECOMMENDED

REPORT FROM: STRATEGIC DIRECTOR OPEN

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SUBJECT: OVERSEAL RECYCLING CENTRE

**CLOSURE** 

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## 1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That following a request from Overseal Parish Council, Committee approves the removal of the recycling bins at the Woodville Road Car Park, Overseal at the earliest opportunity.

1.2 That the Committee approves officers give relevant notice, to the contractors servicing the recycling bins at Woodville Road, that the service is to be terminated.

## 2.0 Purpose of the Report

2.1 For Committee to consider the request from Overseal Parish Council to remove the recycling site from the Woodville Road Car Park, Overseal.

## 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The District Council has received a request from Overseal Parish Council to remove the recycling bins from the Woodville Road Car Park.
- 3.2 The car park is owned by Derbyshire County Council (DCC) and there is a current lease from the County to the District Council. The lease term expired in 2013 but, as a business tenancy under the Landlord and Tenant Act, the lease does not terminate until notice has been served by either party. No notice has been served, and the District has paid County's most recent rent invoice for the period until March 2020.
- 3.3 If Committee decided the recycling bins are no longer required, Corporate Property will review whether the Council wishes to continue leasing the car park in consultation with the Parish and County Councils; the bins appear to be the primary purpose for our lease.

- 3.5 The Woodville Road Car Park recycling site was one of ten retained following the introduction of the kerbside recycling scheme in 2013.
- 3.6 The site has bins for textiles, tetrapak, glass, cans and plastics the textiles and glass are provided free of charge to the Council by contractors who get the value of the materials collected. The tetrapak, cans and plastics are charged for by the contractor and they also retain the value of the materials.
- 3.7 The site has been subject to low level anti-social behaviour and a few instances of fly tipping.
- 3.8 A report to this Committee on 6 March 2014, agreed to reduce the number of recycling bring sites across the District down from eighty-three sites to ten.
- 3.9 Two of the ten sites have subsequently been removed; one after requests from local councillors following serious anti-social behaviour and another due to the land owner requiring removal.

# 4.0 **Financial Implications**

- 4.1 Lost income from recycling credits is approximately £1,160 per year.
- 4.2 Savings from recycling contractor payments £1,100 per year
- 4.3 Savings from car park lease costs £875 per year.
- 4.4 Reduced visits by Clean Team equates to approximately £1,420 per year.

#### 5.0 Corporate Implications

#### **Employment Implications**

5.1 None

#### **Legal Implications**

5.2 Notice will be given to current site operators to remove bins/banks from site; there are no long term contractual obligations in respect of this service.

#### **Corporate Plan Implications**

5.3 The net contribution is negligible; the current eight sites contribute 169 tonnes of material to overall recycling performance. This is an average of 20 tonnes per site per year. To put this into context kerbside recycling contributes over 7,000 tonnes per year.

### Risk Impact

5.5 No risk.

### 6.0 Community Impact

### Consultation

6.1 The Parish Council is well placed to represent local views and see an increase in car parking as a more valuable resource for the community. Notices will be placed on the site for a two week period prior to removal of bins.

# **Equality and Diversity Impact**

6.2 All residents have equal access to the kerbside recycling scheme.

## **Social Value Impact**

6.3 Bring sites attract fly tipping and other anti-social behaviour.

# **Environmental Sustainability**

6.4 The removal of the Overseal site will make the remaining seven sites less viable for contractors to continue collections from; the overall contribution to the Council's recycling performance is less than one percentage point.