

WELWYN HATFIELD COUNCIL  
SPECIAL COUNCIL – 9 JANUARY 2017

Proposed recommendations from the Special Cabinet on 9 January 2017:-

Future Garden Waste Collection

The Special Cabinet will consider the report of the Executive Director (Resources, Environment and Cultural Services) on options for the review of future garden waste collection.

The Special Cabinet, having fully considered all relevant matters, is being asked to:-

- note the key findings of the consultation
- agree to the introduction of a charge for the existing garden waste collection service.
- agree the following collection policies and operational procedures in connection with this garden waste collection service:
  - (1) those who do not join the chargeable garden waste collection service will not have their garden waste collected
  - (2) those who join the chargeable garden waste collection service will not be able to present kitchen food waste in this bin
  - (3) black refuse bins will not be collected if garden waste is presented in this bin
  - (4) food waste may temporarily be re-directed to the black refuse bin, until such time as an alternative collection and treatment solution can be found

All the other Council's existing collection requirements under Section 46 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 will apply to all waste collections.

The Special Cabinet is being asked to:-

- **RECOMMEND** the Council to approve a one-off capital budget of £100,000, required for implementation of changes to the waste collection system and that this be added to the 2016/17 capital programme.
- **RECOMMEND** the Council to set a charge for the garden waste collection service of £35 for the first bin per property per annum and £60 for the second bin per property per annum, commencing in the new financial year 2017/18.
- **RECOMMEND** the Council to approve any consequential amendments to the Waste Management Plan and any other Council policies necessary to incorporate the above.