

Committee Report No: 316-2021

Document Title: Charging For Garden Waste Permits - 2022

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Document Description:

To seek approval for increasing the current charge for garden waste permits during the calendar year 2022.

Intended Outcome:

It is intended that committee note the content of this report and approve the charge of £40 per permit for collections scheduled to take place during 2022.

How will the proposal be monitored?:

Data will be collected on the number of households who purchase permits as a percentage of the total number of households eligible for brown bin collections and this will be used as the benchmark of the success of the scheme. This will be compared to previous years data.

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A. Equality and Diversity Impacts:

Age:	No Impact
Disability:	No Impact
Gender Reassignment:	No Impact
Marriage and Civil Partnership:	No Impact
Pregnancy and Maternity:	No Impact
Race/Ethnicity:	No Impact
Religion or Belief:	No Impact
Sex:	No Impact
Sexual Orientation:	No Impact

Equality and diversity Implications:

None

Proposed Mitigating Actions:

None

Is the proposal subject to a full EQIA? : No

None

B. Fairness and Poverty Impacts:

Geography

Strathmartine (Ardler, St Mary's and Kirkton):	Not Known
Lochee(Lochee/Beechwood, Charleston and Menzieshill):	Not Known
Coldside(Hilltown, Fairmuir and Coldside):	Not Known
Maryfield(Stobswell and City Centre):	Not Known
North East(Whitfield, Fintry and Mill O' Mains):	Not Known
East End(Mid Craigie, Linlathen and Douglas):	Not Known
The Ferry:	Not Known
West End:	Not Known

Household Group

Lone Parent Families:	Not Known
Greater Number of children and/or Young Children:	Not Known
Pensioners - Single/Couple:	Not Known
Single female households with children:	Not Known
Unskilled workers or unemployed:	Not Known
Serious and enduring mental health problems:	Not Known
Homeless:	Not Known
Drug and/or alcohol problems:	Not Known
Offenders and Ex-offenders:	Not Known
Looked after children and care leavers:	Not Known
Carers:	Not Known

Significant Impact

Employment:	Not Known
Education and Skills:	Not Known
Benefit Advice/Income Maximisation:	Not Known
Childcare:	Not Known
Affordability and Accessibility of services:	Not Known

Fairness and Poverty Implications:

The increase in the annual charge per bin for garden waste collections may have an impact on fairness and poverty but this is not known at present. For households who wish to participate the annual charge would need to be paid in full at the time of application. There is no obligation for householders to participate in the service and many households across the City have no requirement for the disposal of garden waste as their property has no garden (e.g. flats and tenements).

Proposed Mitigating Actions:

Whilst the disposal of garden waste remains the householder's responsibility, there is no obligation to make use of the chargeable service. Residents can choose to bring garden waste to Riverside or Baldovie Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) sites, where it can be disposed of free of charge, or they can arrange for a special collection of garden waste, which is also chargeable. Home composting bins are also available to purchase from the Council at cost-price with free delivery for any residents wishing to manage their garden waste in this way.

C. Environmental Impacts

Climate Change

Mitigating greenhouse gases:	No Impact
Adapting to the effects of climate change:	No Impact

Resource Use

Energy efficiency and consumption:	No Impact
Prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling waste:	No Impact
Sustainable Procurement:	No Impact

Transport

Accessible transport provision:	No Impact
Sustainable modes of transport:	No Impact

Natural Environment

Air, land and water quality:	No Impact
Biodiversity:	No Impact
Open and green spaces:	No Impact

Built Environment

Built Heritage:	No Impact
Housing:	No Impact

Is the proposal subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment

No further action is required as it does not qualify as a Plan, Programme or Strategy as defined by the Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

Proposed Mitigating Actions:

None

Environmental Implications:

None

D. Corporate Risk Impacts

Corporate Risk Implications:

The risk implications associated with the subject matter of this report are 'business as normal' risks. The subject matter is routine and has happened many times before without significant loss. There is comfort that the risks inherent within the activity are either transferred to another party, shared equally and fairly between the Council and another party or are negligible.

Corporate Risk Mitigating Actions:

None