## LITTER BIN CONDITION SURVEY

### 1 SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is to appraise Members of the results of the Condition Survey that was recently carried out on the various types of litter bin located around the District. It provides details of the costs that would be required for replacement.

### 2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 During March and April of this year, Council staff were tasked with inspecting and recording the condition of the whole range of litter bins that are positioned around the District.
- 2.2 The results of this Condition Survey are attached to this report as Appendix A and Appendix B. The survey shows that 42% of the 264 type A litter bins are damaged and would benefit from being replaced. 2% of the type B litter bins are damaged and require replacement.
- 2.3 Type A bins are those bins that are floor mounted, or a large capacity, predominantly of cylindrical design. Type B bins are post / wall mounted of a much smaller capacity.

### 3 PROPOSALS AND COSTS

- 3.1 The cost of replacing a type A litter bin with the new black corporate design would be £125.75. This is made up of £65.75 for the purchase of the new bin and £60 for the installation.
- 3.2 The cost of replacing a type B litter bin with the new black corporate design would be £36.01. This is just for the purchase of the bin as installation could be carried out by the Council's Depot Assistant.
- 3.3 There is a total of 112 type A bins that are damaged, needing replacement. A further 32 type A are not damaged but are not the black corporate design.
- 3.4 To replace the 112 damaged bins would cost £14,084 and to replace these 112 and change the other 32 to the black corporate design would cost £18,108.
- 3.5 There is a total of 2 type B bins that are damaged. A further 45 are not damaged but are not the black corporate design.

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3.6 To replace the two damaged type B bins would cost £72.02 and to replace all 47 would cost £1,692.47.

### 4 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The provision of suitable litter bins in appropriate locations assists in keeping the District tidy and improving the overall environmental condition of the District.

### 5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There is no specific capital budget for the replacement of these litter bins. However, there is a budget of £25,000 in the Capital Programme for the replacement for wheeled bins for household refuse. Due to still having a larger than expected number in stock at the Depot, it is estimated that only £10,000 of this capital budget will be required to maintain the necessary level of stock and cope with the demand for an additional 120 litre bin if requested from households having more than 6 people, should this particular suggestion from the previous report (item 15) be approved..
- 5.2 If Members wished, the remainder of this wheeled bin replacement budget could be utilised in addition to approximately £3,000 to £4,000 from the existing nameplates and bin installation revenue budget. This budget would normally be used for such installations and has this funding available due to a large number of street nameplates being replaced last year and so far this year, very few additional installations have been required.

#### 6 RECOMMENDATION

That Members determine whether they wish the litter bins to be replaced as detailed in section 3 of this report and put forward recommendations to the Environmental Services Committee on this issue.

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## **Background Papers:**

None.

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