
CHRISTMAS REFUSE COLLECTION

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide proposals for the timetabling of the refuse collection service during the Christmas and New Year period and to gain Members' decision on which option they wish to take place.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Due to the number of Bank Holidays at this time of year and dependent on where in the week that they fall, a special programme of refuse collection is implemented in order to minimise the disruption to the residents of the District.
- 2.2 To assist in gaining Members' approval, two alternative collection timetables have been put together for consideration.
- 2.3 This year's timetable proposals are more complicated than normal, due to Christmas Day and New Years Day falling on a Sunday, which not only means Bank Holidays during the working week but also limits the option for an early Saturday catch-up collection, depending on which proposal Members approve.
- 2.4 With regard to the recycling collections, these will be programmed in a similar way to fit in with whichever proposal is approved.

3 OPERATIONAL PROPOSALS

Proposal (A)

Normal Collection Day		Revised Collection Day		Recycling Week 1 or 2
Monday (Bank Holiday)	26 December	Wednesday	28 December	Week 1
Tuesday (Bank Holiday)	27 December	Thursday	29 December	Week 1
Wednesday	28 December	Friday	30 December	Week 1
Thursday	29 December	Saturday	31 December	Week 1
Friday	30 December	Tuesday	3 January	Week 1

Monday (Bank Holiday)	2 January	Wednesday	4 January	Week2
Tuesday	3 January	Thursday	5 January	Week2
Wednesday	4 January	Friday	6 January	Week2
Thursday	5 January	Saturday	7 January	Week2
Friday	6 January	Monday	9 January	Week2
Monday	9 January	Tuesday	10 January	Week 1
Tuesday	10 January	Wednesday	11 January	Week 1
Wednesday	11 January	Thursday	12 January	Week 1
Thursday	12 January	Friday	13 January	Week 1
Friday	13 January	Saturday	14 January	Week 1

- 3.1 By using this collection programme, the longest period of time between collections will be 9 days for those properties on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday collection and for those normally collected on a Friday, their longest period between collections would be 11 days.
- 3.2 Excess refuse will be taken up from Wednesday, 28 December 2005 until Saturday, 7 January 2006, with residents requested to spread additional waste across these days.
- 3.3 This proposal would involve residents having a different to normal collection day for a three week period, with normal collection days recommencing on Monday, 16 January 2006, one week earlier than Proposal (B).
- 3.4 The last day where revised collections days are taking place, would be Saturday, 14 January 2006.

Proposal (B)

Normal Collection Day		Revised Collection Day		Recycling Week 1 or 2
Monday (Bank Holiday)	26 December	Wednesday	28 December	Week 1
Tuesday (Bank Holiday)	27 December	Thursday	29 December	Week 1
Wednesday	28 December	Friday	30 December	Week 1
Thursday	29 December	Tuesday	3 January	Week 1
Friday	30 December	Wednesday	4 January	Week 2

Monday (Bank Holiday)	2 January	Thursday	5 January	Week 2
Tuesday	3 January	Friday	6 January	Week 2
Wednesday	4 January	Saturday	7 January	Week 2
Thursday	5 January	Monday	9 January	Week 2
Friday	6 January	Tuesday	10 January	Week 1
Monday	9 January	Wednesday	11 January	Week 1
Tuesday	10 January	Thursday	12 January	Week 1
Wednesday	11 January	Friday	13 January	Week 1
Thursday	12 January	Saturday	14 January	Week 1
Friday	13 January	Monday	16 January	Week 1
Monday	16 January	Tuesday	17 January	Week 2
Tuesday	17 January	Wednesday	18 January	Week 2
Wednesday	18 January	Thursday	19 January	Week 2
Thursday	19 January	Friday	20 January	Week 2
Friday	20 January	Saturday	21 January	Week 2

- 3.5 By using this collection programme, the longest period of time between collections for those properties on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday collection would be 9 days and for those normally on a Thursday or Friday collection, their longest period between collections would be 12 days.
- 3.6 Excess refuse will be taken up from Wednesday, 28 December 2005 until Saturday, 7 January 2006, with residents requested to spread additional waste across these days.
- 3.7 This process would involve residents having a different to normal collection day for a four week period and then normal collection days would recommence on Monday, 23 January 2006 – one week later than proposal (A).
- 3.8 The last day where revised collections days are taking place, would be Saturday, 21 January 2006.

4 RISK IMPLICATIONS

Reputational Risk

- 4.1 Should Members approve Proposal (A) it should be noted that the contractor has some concerns that staff may not turn up on 31 December 2005, which could have an impact on the service provided.

5 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The efficient collection of the District's refuse is important to the environmental conditions that exist throughout the District.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The cost to the Council for the notification of the revised collection timetable would be approximately £3,500, which can be met from existing budget provision. This, however, does include details of all the other Bank Holiday collections for a 12 month period on the A5 sized folded card that has been used in previous years.

7 RECOMMENDATION

- 7.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

That Members consider the content of this report and decide whether they wish to approve proposal (A) or proposal (B) for the timetable for refuse collection over the Christmas and New Year period.

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Background Papers:-

None.

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