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EXECUTIVE REPORT: STREET SCENE PORTFOLIO HOLDER
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To inform Council of progress on key objectives and the current position on issues within the Street Scene Portfolio.

2. Current and Future Issues

2.1 Summary information is included in Appendix 1 on the following key issues relating to a cleaner and greener environment.

- Waste Management
- Street Cleansing
- Dog Control Orders

3. In accordance with Procedure Rule 11.3 any member of Council will be able to ask me a question or make a comment on the contents of my report or on any issue which falls within my area of responsibility. I will respond to any such questions or comments in accordance with procedure Rule 11.5.

STREET SCENE PORTFOLIO HOLDER PROGRESS UPDATE DECEMBER 2011

1. Waste Management

- 1.1 Work continues to ensure the mobilisation and smooth transition of the contract for Waste Management and Recycling from Fylde to Veolia is in place for an April 2012 handover with a schedule of meetings in place involving key officers.
- 1.2 The new Bulky Waste Collection service; continues to operate very smoothly and customer feedback continues to be positive. To date 54% of the materials collected via this service has been recycled or reused and requests from customers is up on previous year.
- 1.3 The new containerised service in Fleetwood continues to operate well. There has been positive comments from customers and community leaders alike.
- 1.4 Sadly, in the last week of October and first week of November, the problems of 'human bin ratters' have commenced again in pockets of Fleetwood. Bins are being pushed over and bags slashed. Street Scene Officers are engaging with the Police through MAPS to try and get support to combat this problem, which is believed to be being undertaken by only a handful of individuals.
- 1.5 Street Scene Officers continue to have a high presence in the area to both educate and where necessary take initial enforcement action to ensure that customers are using the bins appropriately and recycling as much of their waste as possible.

2. Street Cleansing

- 2.1 The project for delivering the Street Cleansing Service as an in-house operation from April 2012 continues to progress in accordance with the overall project plan.
- 2.2 The tenders for the mechanical sweeping fleet have been returned and following evaluation the preferred supplier agreed. Orders have been to ensure sufficient build time to ensure the Council is in receipt of the sweepers during March 2012.
- 2.3 The Council has engaged The Association of Public Service Excellence (APSE) to act as a critical friend to ensure that the proposed fleet and operating systems will provide the best service to Customers at a reasonable cost.

3. Dog Control Orders

- 3.1** Following Legal advice, a further Cabinet report is being produced (December meeting), to adopt Dog Control Orders (DCO) across the Borough, following consultation with the 8 Parish and Town Councils who did not have the opportunity to comment during the initial consultation process.

The introduction of DCO's will be implemented in a planned, phased approach, commencing in the Fleetwood area, where key sites have already been prioritised. New signs are currently being procured, which will inform dog owners of the controls in place.