

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION

Decision Taken By: Leader of the Council;	Decision No: D220006URG
Decision Type:	Executive
Date of Decision:	9 March 2022
Decision(s) and Reason(s)	
REINSTATEMENT OF GARDEN WASTE SERVICE	
<p>The current garden waste service has been suspended since 26 July 2021. This has impacted on both the 26,700 existing subscribers and the related income received for providing this service. The suspension originally arose from Urbaser being unable to staff the vehicles required due to the Covid pandemic and more particularly the national HGV driver shortage. During the suspension 2 separate 'one off' collections of garden waste have been progressed at no cost to residents.</p> <p>Following detailed discussions with Urbaser, and external legal advisors, a solution to enable a full reinstatement of the garden waste service has been reached which due to the need to act quickly, and associated financial implications, requires a decision to be taken urgently.</p> <p>The maximum cost to this Council will be circa £92,100 spread over a 6 month period and is permitted under Regulation 72(1)(5) of the Public Contracts Regulation concerning low value modifications to public contracts.</p> <p>The cost of the proposal will be met from the Budget Stabilisation reserve.</p>	
RESOLVED: That:	
(1) The proposal for the reinstatement of the garden waste service as outlined in this decision notice be approved.	
Delegated Authority which the decision is taken under	
The Council's executive may take this decision as it falls within the budget and policy framework.	

Details of any alternatives considered:
n/a
Reason(s) why rejected: n/a
Conflicts of Interest/Dispensations Granted:
There were no conflicts of interest declared or dispensations granted by or to any Member who was involved in taking this decision.
Background Papers (if any):
None

Signed Chief Officer: R Styles (Director of Street Scene, Leisure and Technical Services)

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This decision is not subject to call-in as it is considered urgent and any delay would seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interests. (Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 15(i)).

The decision to make the payment will **be reported to the next appropriate Council meeting**, in accordance with Paragraph 4(b) of the Budget & Policy Framework Procedure Rules.