#### WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

### <u>CABINET</u> Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2009

# RECOMMENDATION FROM CORPORATE RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE, 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2009

## Recommendations from Domestic Waste Collection & Recycling Review Panel

The Review Panel was established at the Community Services Scrutiny Committee on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2009, following a report to Cabinet on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2008.

The Panel met five times between 19<sup>th</sup> May 2009 and 26<sup>th</sup> August 2009.

The terms of reference for the review were:

- (a) To consider the County Council Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy.
- (b) To investigate and consider the potential methods of future collection for method for waste and recycling following the opportunity of collection of comingled recycling with the provision of the Envirosort facility, with the view of achieving cost reductions of £300,000 as required within the Financial Strategy 2009/2012.
- (c) To recommend which options should be implemented at Wyre Forest District Council.

### **RECOMMENDED TO CABINET:**

- 1 The Council works towards the utilisation of the new "Envirosort" facilities currently being developed by the County Council, with a view to increasing the range of materials available for recycling.
- The Council adopts the revised Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Worcestershire as far as it is able to so.
- In line with recommendation 1 the Council implements a wheeled bin collection for recycling materials, where possible, and special arrangements be made for problem collections.

- In relation to the cost of collection, an alternate weekly service be implemented for recycling/residual waste, whilst acknowledging the need to retain existing special arrangements.
- Due to prohibitive cost restraints, the Council is unable to give support to the implementation of a food waste service at this time.
- In light of recommendation 5 the County Council be urged to review their decision to remove funding for sink waste disposal units.
- 7 The Council implements a 'paid for' Wheeled Bin Garden Waste Service on a trial basis, and dependant upon initial interest, develops proposals to offer the service to either 5,000 or 10,000 households, on a cost recovery basis.
- 8 An Implementation Plan, including details of communication of proposals to the public be developed as a matter of urgency, and reported to future meetings of the Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee;
- 9 Fully costed proposals in relation to the options listed above be included within the budget considerations for 2010/11 and beyond.