

**Committee:** Environment Committee

**Agenda Item**

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**Title:** REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES Trade  
Waste, Septic Tank emptying, Garden waste  
bags.

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Item for  
decision

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## Summary

- 1 In accordance with the Scrutiny review of fees and charges an annual review of items relevant to this committee is presented for Member consideration.

## Recommendations

- 2 That Members approve the proposed charges for 2008/9 for the services of Trade waste, Septic tank emptying and garden waste sacks.

## Background Papers

5. Last year's fees and charges are noted on the table that follows this report.

## Impact

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Communication/Consultation	Customers will be advised of charge at point of commissioning or by formal notification as appropriate.
Community Safety	None.
Equalities	None.
Finance	An assumption of a price increase has been built into the budget process.
Human Rights	None.
Legal implications	None.
Ward-specific impacts	All
Workforce/Workplace	None

## Situation

7. There have been increases in the cost of providing these services most notably in the cost of fuel this dictates that the transport related charges should rise above the rate of inflation.

## Targets

8. The Trade waste and Septic tank emptying services operate on a commercial basis and the charges need to reflect this.

## Pay-Offs/Penalties

10. Approving these fees and charges will:
  - a) ensure the cost of providing these services is recovered and
  - b) the charges are competitive within the market.

## Risk Analysis

11. The following have been assessed as the potential risks associated with this issue.

<b>Risk</b>	<b>Likelihood</b>	<b>Impact</b>	<b>Mitigating actions</b>
That custom may be lost due to a rise in price	Low	Low	Charges remain competitive within the local market.
Costs may be incurred by the local taxpayer if the services are not self supporting.	Low	Low	Officers will monitor the activity through the year and take appropriate action.