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EF-008 BINS

(i) Business waste disposal

The Parish Council currently have no commercial bins. The litter picker and the maintenance team therefore have nowhere to dispose of the rubbish collected from their weekly tasks.

- The litter picker is currently using the bins belonging to tenants of MFF.
- The maintenance team currently have to use the local tip, skip hire or similar.
- Councillors / volunteers / staff all have to use their household bins following events.

The committee is invited to consider how this could be resolved.

Veolia - fortnightly collection (cost includes the purchase of the bin)

	660L bin	1100L bin
Monthly	£29.95	£34.07
Annual charge	£359.40	£408.80

Biffa - fortnightly collection (cost includes the purchase of the bin)

	660L bin	1100L bin
Weekly charge	£9.48	£11.14
Monthly	£40.63	£47.74

GBC – TBC, awaiting response

Matters for consideration:

The maintenance team suggest a 660L bin would be adequate.

Does the council wish to have a commercial bin?

If yes;

- a) what size of bin is required? 660L or 1100L
- b) where is the best location for the bin? MFF or NC?
- c) What payment schedule is preferred?

If no; what alternative solution is being out forward by the committee?

(ii) Bin on Westwood Lane

Since the bin audit the council have received three complaints re there being no bin on Westwood Lane. In the October committee meeting EF-106 said:

A resident has requested a dog poo bin somewhere along Westwood Lane, and has suggested a location as noted in the audit

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RESOLVED: (a) Dog faeces is not an issue in the area so concluded the additional expense is not necessary at this time.

At the following meeting in December, EF-129(ii) minutes showed:

The council had been asked to reconsider locating a bin on Westwood Lane. RESOLVED: A resident has advised that as there are no bins on Westwood Lane, residents are picking up after other people's dogs and advises her neighbour suffers with people throwing their poo bags over his fence behind his shed. The council were not previously aware residents were having to pick up dog poo and made the decision not to put a bin on Westwood due to there being no issue. The complainant doesn't agree there is no issue. She suggested by St Marks Church or The Avenue would be good ideas for either type of bin. Members considered that an additional bin would mean an increase of £330 per year on the bin emptying contract with GBC, however GBC are not able to confirm if they can continue with the contract next year. Meaning this currently has unknown cost implications. It was also noted that once a matter has been decided at a meeting it should not be reversed within six months except by a special motion. Councillors therefore agreed to reconsider locating a bin in 5 months' time.

The Clerk has spoken to Guildford Borough Council who advise they have received no complaints on this. GBC are reluctant to install a container and pay for its maintenance at this point. They would like to carry out a monitoring exercise to see if the LA believes a container is required, but also involve their compliance team as such things are an ASB issue.

Matters for consideration:

- a) Does the committee wish to follow the advice of the borough council? Or
- b) Does the committee wish to pursue an alternative approach?

(iii) Litter on Cobbett Hill Road

Councillor Schofield has brought to the Council's attention the amount of litter on Cobbett Hill Road. The Clerk has addressed this with GBC and the potential of placing a bin in that location. They have advised the following:

'Cobbett Hill is a constant problem area with regard to litter and we litter pick three times a week but still receive complaints. From experience, I would not be installing a bin because it won't be there long and the people who litter usually do so from their vehicles. I very much doubt that they would bother to use a bin correctly.'

The Clerk has thanked the borough for their on-going attention to this matter.