# **ITEM 6a**



#### AREA PANEL 3 19 SEPTEMBER 2007

Report of Cabinet Member, Leisure and Direct Services

# Petition Relating to Wheeled Bins– Parliament Street

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 On 3 July 2007 a petition signed by 29 people was presented to the environmental services department, opposing the change over from black bag collections to 140 litre black wheeled bins on Parliament Street, Churchside Walk and Masson Street.
- 1.2 Residents' objections to the black bins are as follows:
  - They do not fit in the bin cupboards
  - The estate looks like an eyesore and gypsy camp
  - They are not suitable for old people
  - They are an opportunity for burglars and vandals
  - Communal large recycling bins in washing areas proposed for the future
- 1.3 We are currently implementing the kerbside recycling scheme to the final refuse collection round in the city. When implementing a round the properties are firstly surveyed to check their suitability. When surveying this area it was apparent that properties on Parliament Street, Churchside Walk and Masson Walk were not suitable for the standard 3 bin (black, brown and blue) recycling service, and would be reviewed in the future for an alternative scheme which would be tailored to the requirements of the residents and space available. One of the options could be for a communal recycling point.
- 1.4 When undertaking these surveys it was noted that these properties were still having their waste collected in black bags. Due to health and safety reasons, we are trying to convert all bag collections to wheeled bins as these areas are introduced to the kerbside recycling. This has also occurred at Boyer Street where initially residents had similar concerns. We addressed these concerns at a meeting and since the introduction of these bins we have not received any reports of occurring problems.
- 1.5 The bins do not fit into all of the bin cupboards (which was also the case in Boyer Street) but there is adequate space alongside the cupboards for them to stand. Please refer to the pictures in appendix 1.
- 1.6 If any residents are experiencing difficulties with their bin, we can on request organise for a refuse inspector to visit them and help to resolve these problems.

## **PROPOSED ACTION**

- 2.1 Monitor any reported problems occurring at these properties.
- 2.2 On request, visit any residents who have concerns or are experiencing any problems with the black bins.
- 2.3 Consult with local residents in the future when the recycling scheme is introduced to these streets.

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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Photographs of Parliament Street and Masson Walk

# **APPENDIX 1**

Picture 1 – Parliament Street



Picture 2 – Parliament Street



# Picture 3 – Masson Walk



Picture 4 – Masson Walk

