

SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENT CAPITAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	Agenda Item No. 6
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Report of the Corporate Director of Resources		
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ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCRUTINY TASK AND FINISH GROUP TO REVIEW THE AMEY CONTRACT STREET CLEANSING SERVICES

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for the Committee to consider and agree the Terms of Reference and membership of a Task and Finish Group.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Committee:
- a) approve the Terms of Reference for the Task and Finish Group.
 - b) approve the Membership of the Task and Finish Group.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At a meeting of the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee on 14 July 2016 a recommendation was made and unanimously agreed to establish a cross party Task and Finish Group to look at the current street cleansing levels across the city and assess if they meet the current demand.

4 PURPOSE AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 4.1 The purpose and terms of reference for the Task and Finish Group are as follows:

To look at the current street cleansing levels across the city and assess if they meet the current demand. This will include: -

1. To look at the current street cleansing levels across the city to assess if they are appropriate to the specific area.
2. To assess whether the appropriate machinery is being used for each location.
3. To work with officers to address local issues including communication break downs that hinder effective cleansing such as parked cars when mechanically sweeping the roads.
4. To look at ways to get more effective community engagement to bring pride back to their local areas and educate residents to use the litter bins provided.
5. To report back to the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Committee in October on the progress of the group with any recommendation.

4.2 **Responsibilities of the Task and Finish Group**

Working within the terms of reference the group will be required to analyse those areas of the city where street cleansing is of concern. This will include looking at the current frequency and what machinery is used to facilitate the cleansing, the group will then need to ascertain if they feel an increased level of cleansing or a different approach to cleaning is required. If it is decided that an increase is needed the group will be required to analyse if current higher frequency areas can be reduced to accommodate the increase.

5. **MEMBERSHIP OF THE TASK AND FINISH GROUP**

Membership of the group will consist of elected Members from across the political groups to ensure cross party representation.

Nominations from all Groups have been sought for membership to the Task and Finish Group and the following nominations have been received:

- Councillor Keith Sharp - Liberal
- Councillor Judy Fox - Werrington First
- Councillor John Peach - Conservative
- Councillor Nazim Khan - Labour
- Councillor Simon Barkham - Liberal Democrat
- Councillor John Okonkowski - UKIP

The group will be supported by James Collingridge, Amey Partnership Manager. The group will also involve Kieron King Account Manager for Amey Peterborough as a key stakeholder to ensure a balance of views and expertise are available for meeting the terms of reference.

The Task and Finish Group will be disbanded once the review is concluded and a final report providing the outcome of the review with any recommendations is presented to the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee for consideration at its meeting on 25 October 2016.

6. **NEXT STEPS**

If the Terms of Reference and membership of the Task and Finish Group are agreed by the Committee then the first meeting of the Task and Finish Group will be arranged to scope the review.

7. **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- Minutes of the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 14 July.