

<b>SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENT CAPITAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>	<b>Agenda Item No. 8</b>
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<b>Report of the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Task and Finish Group</b>		
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## **TASK AND FINISH GROUP REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF THE AMEY STREET CLEANSING CONTRACT**

### **1. PURPOSE**

- 1.1 This report is submitted to the Committee following a review of the Street Cleansing elements within the Amey Contract. The purpose of this Report is to seek the Committee's approval for the submission of the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee Task and Finish Group Report to Cabinet.

### **2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 This Committee is asked to:
1. Consider and comment on the Task and Finish Group Report at Annex 1
  2. Endorse the Task and Finish Group Report and recommendations for submission to Cabinet.

### **3. LINKS TO THE CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND RELEVANT CABINET PORTFOLIO**

- 3.1 The Amey partnership contributes to all the priorities in the Sustainable Community Strategy:-
- Creating opportunities – tackling inequalities;
  - Creating strong and supportive communities;
  - Creating the UK's environmental capital; and
  - Delivering substantial and truly sustainable growth.
- 3.2 This Report falls under the portfolio of the Cabinet Member for Waste and Street Scene.

### **4. BACKGROUND**

- 4.1 At its meeting on 14 July 2016, the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee recommended that a Task and Finish Group be established to review the Amey Street Cleansing Contract and to present their recommendations back to the Committee at its meeting on 25 October 2016. The Committee felt that due to an increase in resident comments and through their own visual inspections it was time to look at how the issues of littering within the city could be addressed

## **5. KEY ISSUES**

- 5.1 The Task and Finish Group were required to look at how improvements could be made to the way Amey work to become more efficient and effective when cleansing the streets. There has been an ongoing issue with litter city wide with some areas more adversely affected than others and the issues have been compounded by traders not disposing of their waste correctly and issues such as parked cars preventing street cleansing operators from providing an adequate clean in some streets.

## **6. IMPLICATIONS**

### **Financial**

- 6.1 The report contains a potential financial implication if the recommendation for a hit squad is taken forward: -

- £72k Two person team (driver & op) & 3.5t caged vehicle
- £93k Three person team ( driver & 2 ops) & 3.5t caged vehicle
- £86k Mechanical sweeper with driver & op
- £29k Barrow beat / lengthsman

The financial implications for increased street cleansing on areas close to the city centre would be: -

- To cleanse streets within North and South Gladstone with a mechanical sweeper with driver & operative - £86,000 per annum
- To have a daily presence on Lincoln road through a Lengthsman - £29,000 per annum.

### **Legal**

The changes being proposed to the Amey contract are:

- a) An increase in frequency of certain tasks which Amey is already contracted to perform; and
- b) Reinstatement of the Hit Squad.

These changes to the Amey contract would be formalised through the contractual Change Control process to vary the current contract.

## **7. CONSULTATION**

- 7.1 N/A

## **8. NEXT STEPS**

- 8.1 For the Committee to approve the recommendations and refer them to Cabinet on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

## **9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

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

- 9.1 Please refer to the report of the Task and Finish Group at Annex 1 which contains information on which background documents were used to prepare the report.

## **10. APPENDICES**

- 10.1 Annex 1 - Report of the Sustainable Growth and Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee Task and Finish Group - Review of Amey Street Cleansing Contract

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