

**BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL
Place Scrutiny Commission
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Report of: Patricia Greer, Interim Service Director, Policy, Strategy and Communications

Title: Draft Report and Recommendations of the Scrutiny Inquiry Day 'Managing the City's Waste'

Ward: Citywide

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RECOMMENDATION

The draft set of recommendations arising from the Inquiry Day 'Managing the City's Waste' will be circulated to the Commission before the 9 April 2015, and will form Appendix A to this report. Members are asked to consider and comment on the draft details and agree the next steps.

Summary

An inquiry day took place on 18 March 2015 with the objective of contributing to the ongoing improvement of the city's waste/waste-related policies and procedures, with the overarching aim of ensuring Bristol remained a clean and environmentally friendly city.

At the event, Members considered evidence from a range of experts both internal and external to the Council. Discussion concentrated on the following key questions relating to waste management:

1. Winning Hearts and Minds - how can the Council and other agencies encourage a culture change?
2. Taking Action When Needed - how can different tools and powers be utilised to greater effect?

The significant issues in the report are:

The report at Appendix A - draft findings of the Scrutiny Inquiry Day '*Managing the City's Waste.*' **To follow**

Policy

1. The report summarises the recommendations of the Scrutiny Inquiry Day on the Council's approach to improving the city's waste/waste related policies with the aim of maintaining a clean and environmentally friendly city.

Consultation

2. Internal

Members of the Place Scrutiny Commission
Relevant officers

3. External

Not applicable

Context

4. The Inquiry Day was held on 18 March 2015 at Brunel House, St Georges Road, Bristol. A range of people attended including, Councillors, Council officers and guest speakers.

Proposal

5. The Commission is requested to agree the report and the recommendations within.

Other Options Considered

6. None.

Risk Assessment

7. Not applicable

Public Sector Equality Duties

- 8A. Before making a decision, section 149 Equality Act 2010 requires that each decision-maker considers the need to promote equality for persons with the following "protected characteristics": age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation. Each decision-maker must, therefore, have due regard to the need to:

- i) Eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other

conduct prohibited under the Equality Act 2010.

- ii) Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it. This involves having due regard, in particular, to the need to --
- remove or minimise disadvantage suffered by persons who share a relevant protected characteristic;
 - take steps to meet the needs of persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of people who do not share it (in relation to disabled people, this includes, in particular, steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities);
 - encourage persons who share a protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.
- iii) Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it. This involves having due regard, in particular, to the need to –
- tackle prejudice; and
 - promote understanding

8B. An Equality Impact Assessment will be prepared once the draft recommendations have been approved.

Legal and Resource Implications

Legal

None at this stage.

Financial

None at this stage.

Land

Not applicable.

Personnel

Not applicable.

Appendices:

Appendix A – Draft Report of the Scrutiny Inquiry Day '*Managing the City's Waste.*' ***To follow.***

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

Background Papers: None.