

**Appendices**

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**NORTHAMPTON**  
**BOROUGH COUNCIL****CABINET REPORT**

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Cabinet's Response to Overview and Scrutiny Committee Environmental Services Contract Working Group</b>
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**AGENDA STATUS: PUBLIC**

<b>Cabinet Meeting Date:</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>Key Decision:</b>	No
<b>Within Policy:</b>	Yes
<b>Policy Document:</b>	No
<b>Directorate:</b>	Customer and Communities
<b>Accountable Cabinet Member:</b>	Cllr Mike Hallam
<b>Ward(s)</b>	Borough Wide

**1. Purpose**

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- 1.1 To provide a response to Overview and Scrutiny Committee's pre-decision scrutiny report on the Environmental Services Contract

**2. Recommendations**

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That Cabinet gives careful consideration to the Overview and Scrutiny recommendations detailed below:-

- 2.1 Cabinet considers the interim findings of the O&S Working Group as detailed in section 3 of this interim report.
- 2.2 Notes that Overview and Scrutiny Committee is satisfied that the right processes have taken place to date. The processes to date has been robust and carried out with due diligence.
- 2.3 Notes that Overview and Scrutiny Committee is satisfied that the procurement process has been robust.

- 2.4 The Contract Manager is asked to forward details of the Notice of Motion, as set out at paragraph 2.6 of this report, to both the Council's contractor and NPH's contractor for their information; with emphasis that there must be regular liaison with local groups and forums, such as Residents' Associations and Community Forums
- 2.5 An alternative platform for public input, such as online information, in addition to Group and Forum meetings.
- 2.6 As part of the contract, the help and support that is available to individuals and groups that want to undertake clean ups around the town is widely promoted.

### **3. Issues and Choices**

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#### **3.1 Report Background**

3.1.1. The purpose of the O&S Working Group was to:

Help non-Executives understand the re provision process and the legal framework around the re-provision of the contract.

Enable non-Executives to meaningfully challenge the rigour and robustness of the process.

#### **3.1 Choices (Options)**

3.1.2 Cabinet may choose to agree to any or all of Overview and Scrutiny Committee's recommendations in full or part.

3.1.3 Overview and Scrutiny Committee have provided cabinet with a robust and detailed report to support its recommendations.

### **4. Implications (including financial implications)**

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#### **4.1 Policy**

4.1.1 There are no policy implications directly arising from this report

#### **4.2 Resources and Risk**

4.2.1. £25,000 will be set aside for community engagement projects.

#### **4.3 Legal**

4.3.1 There are no legal implications at this stage of Cabinet's consideration of the recommendations set out in paragraph 2 of the report.

#### **4.4 Equality and Health**

4.4.1 There will be an equalities impact assessment undertaken as an integral part of the process

#### **4.5 Consultees (Internal and External)**

4.5.1 A range of stakeholders were consulted with as part of the overview and scrutiny review.

#### **4.6 How the Proposals deliver Priority Outcomes**

4.6.1 This review links to the Council's Priority outcomes, Protecting our Environment (a clean and attractive town for residents and visitors), Working hard and spending your money wisely.

### **5. Background Papers**

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Overview and Scrutiny Committee Scrutiny Report – Environmental Services Contract

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