



### Notice of Call-In of Key Decision

In accordance with section 18 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules within North Northamptonshire Council's Constitution, we the undersigned hereby give notice that we wish to Call-In the following key decision:

Resolution(s) to be called-in Garden Waste: Future Service Provision
Meeting at which the decision was made Executive meeting
Date of the Meeting 27 September 2022

We believe that the following principle(s) of decision making outlined in Part 1.1 of the Council's Constitution have been breached by the making of this decision (tick all relevant boxes and outline reasons):

Principle	Reasons why believed to be in breach	Tick relevant box
The agreed action is proportionate to the results we need to achieve		
That we consult where appropriate to do so		
That we respect human rights		

<p>That the decision represents best value for North Northamptonshire</p>	<p>This is incorrect.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Charging for green waste will encourage fly tipping, discourage gardening and cause even more drainage problems by residents paving over or pouring tarmac over their (front) gardens.</li> <li>* NNC still needs to produce a statutory document called the Local Nature Recovery Strategy. NNC's ecologist can advise on the crucial role played by gardens.</li> <li>* We need to re-educate residents on the crucial role of recycling and separating waste. Charging for collecting green waste is a step back for the environment that we cannot afford.</li> <li>* Having a garden is no luxury. Gardens support biodiversity and nature. Gardening has a proven benefit for mental health, particularly when residents are facing increased financial pressure.</li> <li>* Gardens are immediately accessible for families with children without cars who cannot travel to places such as Chester House Estate.</li> </ul>	
<p>That we are open and transparent in the way we make decisions</p>		
<p>We are clear about what we trying to achieve and what the outcomes will be</p>	<p>This is incompatible with our strategy for a greener North Northants. Recycling green waste is environmentally friendly. Charging for collecting green waste will result in green waste ending up in the black bins.</p>	
<p>We have considered whether an alternative option is more appropriate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* The Finance &amp; Resources Committee advised against imposing this charge after examining the financial implications. The Executive decision has disregarded the recommendation of its own financial scrutiny committee.</li> <li>* The cost could be covered from reserves.</li> </ul>	
<p>We give reasons for why we have made decisions</p>		



**Proposed alternative course of action/recommendations**


Universal service with no subscription charge operating all year (12 months),  
or 8 months


Household garden waste collections be provided to every property in North Northamptonshire irrespective of individual household participation. Each property to be allocated one 240 litre container which will be collected from the point where the property meets the public highway on a fortnightly basis. The garden waste service will be suspended for two weeks over the Christmas and New Year period and residents would be able to dispose of Christmas trees through the service on resumption in January.

Signatures of those members requesting the call-in of the decision:

**Note: each member must insert their own name in the table below. A separate email from the member communicating this is sufficient but should be evidenced upon submission of the form.**

Signed	Name	Date
1. Request originator Anne Lee	ANNE LEE	28/9/2022
2.	CLLr MARTIN GRIFFITHS	29.9.2022
3.	WILLIAM COLQUHOUN	29.9.22
4.	CLLr PETER MC AWAN	29/9/22
5.	CLLr Ross ARMOUR	29/9/22
6.	ZOE MCCANCE	29.9.22
7.	Simon Rully	29/9/22

8.		CHR. LYN BUCKINGHAM 39th SEPTEMBER 2022.

 CUR: HARRINGTON 29/9/22