# **Record of Officer Decision**

# To amend the Resource and Waste Management Strategy 2020 – 2023 to remove the reference to undertaking a trial of a reduction in the frequency of residual waste collections.

## **Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:**

Director of Place on 29 July 2022

## Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:

The Resource and Waste Management Strategy 2020 – 2023 was approved by Council in February 2021 and it included a reference to undertaking a trial of a reduction in the frequency of residual waste collections. Although the Strategy includes a reference to a trial of three weekly residual waste collections, this was not included within the Action Plan associated with the strategy.

The Council and SWISCo are working hard to increase recycling rates, and thereby reducing the amount of residual waste that households generate. However, the ongoing inclusion of the potential for this trial could cause a distraction from the important work to improve the levels of household recycling in the Bay.

As the Resource and Waste Management Strategy forms part of the Council's Policy Framework, there is a requirement to undertake consultation on any changes.

#### **Decision Taken:**

That, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure, Environment and Culture, the Director of Place has agreed to launch a consultation on removing the reference to undertaking a trial of a reduction in the frequency of residual waste collections within the Council's Resource and Waste Management Strategy 2020 - 2023.

#### Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken:

To ensure that consultation can be carried out ahead of consideration by the Council to amend the Resource and Waste Management Strategy 2020 - 2023.

#### Summary of Alternatives or Options considered and rejected and Background Papers:

None.

Details of any conflict of interest and dispensation granted to the Officer taking the decision or by any Member of the Council in delegating responsibility for any specific express delegation:

None.

#### Implementation:

This decision will be implemented immediately.

A copy of this decision and any supporting documentation considered by the Officer taking this decision may also be available for inspection by the public at the Council's officers or posted upon payment of any copying and postage charges. Any member of the public wishing to take up either of these options is asked to please ring (01803) 207087 or email governance.support@torbay.gov.uk

Signed:

(Director of Place)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_29/07/2022\_\_\_\_