#### **ITEM 9 APPENDIX A**

#### **Terms of Reference**

Policy Panel Subject	To review the proposed Litter and Dog Bin Policy
Date	September 2021
Background	

Whilst the Council is committed to providing sufficient bins to help discharge its responsibilities under the Environmental Act 1990, the Council has never had a policy for agreeing bins. However, the development of a policy will support an integrated strategy to the problem of litter and cleanliness that includes defining standards and working in partnership with local communities.

In addition, no review process currently exists to ensure that litter bin locations continue to match the expectation of when a bin was originally installed, considering changes to usage patterns and external factors such as vandalism.

It is proposed that the draft Policy is developed and approved with the Policy Panel, and that a rolling programme of audit is introduced.

# Key areas of focus

## 1. Environmental implications

Consider the appropriateness of the policy to meet the Council's strategic aims to tackle the climate challenge and leading sustainability, and in particular:

- the response to the climate emergency (reducing carbon emissions, and reducing, reusing and recycling waste),
- conserving and enhancing biodiversity (minimising the environmental impact of activities)
- appropriateness of location and design (such as public open spaces)

### 2. Public implications

Consider the appropriateness of the policy to support communities, through the Communities Can approach, including appropriateness of design and the local environment (such as heritage sites)

### 3. Operational implications

Consider the impact of any change on the operational delivery of Neighbourhood Services, including efficiencies, and performance, service resilience, and staff wellbeing, income generation taking account of the Council's 2022/21 budget strategy.

# **Outcomes**

- 1. Clear understanding about issues and opportunities in relation to the areas of focus
- 2. 'Deep dive' into the proposed policy
- 3. Suggest amendments and changes for officers to work up final detailed proposition.
- 4. Agree recommendations to Cabinet

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