

Officer Decision Record – Executive Decision

If Key Decision: Decision Ref. No.

N/A

OFFICER DECISION RECORD ⁱ

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Subject: Hertfordshire Waste Partnership Textile Consortium extension

Type of Decision: Executive

Key Decision (Executive Functions only): No

Executive Member/Committee Chairman: Eric Buckmaster

Portfolio (Executive Functions only): The Environment

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1. Decision

To notify Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council (WHBC), of Hertfordshire County Council's (HCC) agreement to continue its participation as a member of the Hertfordshire Waste Partnership consortium contract for a further 2 years in line with the extension provision in the contract between WHBC and the service provider (the Contract).

2. Reasons for the decision

The Contract for the sale of recovered textiles services at the County Council's Recycling centres is managed by WHBC on behalf of the Councils that participate in the consortium. WHBC is the lead authority, and the consortium operates in accordance with a Service Level Agreement (SLA). The Contract provides for the initial term to end on 31 March 2026, with the option of a two-year extension. In accordance with the terms of the SLA, HCC is not required to continue its participation beyond the initial term set out in the Contract, but it is considered to be in HCC's interests to do so.

3. Alternative options considered and rejected

Substantial benchmarking has been undertaken by the Hertfordshire Waste Partnership and this confirms that extending the Contract would represent the best financial option for HCC whilst maintaining service continuity.

4. Consultation

Was any Councillor consulted? Yes

If yes:

(a) Comments of Executive Member/Committee Chairman

I am content with the decision.

(b) Comments of other consultees

There were none.

5. Any conflict of interest declared by a councillor who has been consulted in relation to the decision

None declared.

6. Following consultation with the Executive Member/Committee Chairman, I am proceeding with the proposed decision.

Signed: Matthew King

Title: Head of Waste Management

Date: 8 April 2025

Copies of record to:

- All consultees
- hard & electronic copy (if required to be made available for public inspection) to Democratic Services Manager - Room 213 County Hall.ⁱⁱ

Summary of Requirements to Inform/Consult Councillors

Significance of Proposed Action	Controversial	Relevant Councillor(s) to be Consulted
Technical/Professional/ Routine	No	No need to inform or consult councillors
Technical/Professional/ Routine	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member and, where appropriate, Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Relevant Committee Chairman and, where appropriate, Local Councillor
Local	No	Executive Functions: Inform Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Inform Local Councillor
Local	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult Lead Executive Member and Local Councillor Non-Executive Functions: Consult Local Councillor
General or County-wide	No	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) Non-Executive Functions: Consult relevant Committee Chairman
General or County-wide	Yes	Executive Functions: Consult relevant Lead Executive Member (s) and the Leader of the Council Non-Executive Functions: Consult relevant Committee Chairman/Leaders all Political Groups