

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL
North East Area Council

Report of the Area Manager

Agenda Item 10

26th November 2020

Environmental Enforcement Commission and Service Level Agreement

1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 This purpose of this report is for the Councillors of the North East Area Council to decide whether they would like to continue for a further year, from April 1st, 2021 to the 31st March 2022, with the Environmental Enforcement commission with District Enforcement, and the Service Level Agreement with Barnsley MBC's Enforcement Services.

2.00 Background

- 2.1 The procurement of an Environmental Enforcement Service with a focus on littering, dog fouling and parking was agreed at the North East Area Council meeting on 27th September 2018. Following a robust procurement process, with the support of the Council's Procurement and Commissioning support services, the contract was awarded to District Enforcement at a cost of £65,000 per annum.
- 2.2 Ongoing discussions with the Safer Communities Manager, and Procurement colleagues, about the practical delivery of the Service Level Agreement, included an electronic solution to the processing of tickets. It was agreed by the North East Area Council on April 4th, 2019, that the electronic approach should be used, and this is included in the revised cost of the Service Level Agreement.
- 2.3 The North East Area Council's Environmental Steering Group have recently met with District Enforcement to review the outputs and outcomes of the commission from April 2020 to date. After careful consideration they recommend that the commission, and the service level agreement, is supported for a further twelve months.

3.0 Recommendations

- 3.1 **That the Environmental Enforcement commission with District Enforcement is a zero-tolerance enhanced service, to include a visible uniformed presence, and an educational element. The commission will be funded to run from April 1st, 2021 to the 31st March 2022, at a cost of £65,000 per annum.**
- 3.2 **That the Service Level Agreement with Barnsley MBC's Enforcement Services is funded for a further year, from April 1st, 2021 to the 31st March 2022, at a cost of £14,840 per annum.**
- 3.3 **That printed dog bags should be given to dog owners to encourage them to pick up after their dog by the Enforcement Officers. The cost of a supply of the printed dog bags will be £1,000.**

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 Area Council Manager

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