3 July 2014 – Responses to Supplementary Questions

Questions on the Leader's Statement

From Cllr Richardson

"Are we still generating an income from dry recycling in this temporary phase of re-procurement? And can you just clarify how we can save money with Selby? I can see the summary of points there but I can't see how Ryedale Council saved money, it's not clear from what's written."

The Leader's reply at the meeting:

"You're asking how we saved money with Selby. It's a partnership, all the savings are pooled and then allocated on a percentage basis. Don't ask me what the percentage basis is because I don't know off the top of my head but I could find that out for you. When the procurement exercise is completed and we've made a decision, then we'll be able to see whether we are still making profit or not and you will know then. It's inappropriate really to talk in the middle of the procurement exercise."

Additional information:

- 1. "Savings made through a tender process led or involving the procurement partnership are allocated in full to the relevant authority/service area.
- 2. The Procurement Partnership accounts for 13/14 showed a surplus of £16,866 which has been allocated to reserves. Overall the partnership now has reserves of £61,738. In theory if the partnership board makes a decision to allocate theses reserves to the partnership members it would be allocated as follows based on the partnership agreement and the same percentages member councils contribute to the partnership :
 - Scarborough 54.88%
 - Selby 26.68%
 - Ryedale 18.44%

Materials

Note: The board made a decision to look at possible options to invest these reserves going forward and bring these options to a future committee meeting.

3. Scenario for dry re-cyclates, until new contract is in place.

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Overview		Existing Contract	
(Income)	Annual	Price	Annual
	Tonnage	per tonne	Value

Glass	1,355	£10.00	£13,550		
Paper/Card	1,900	£42.00	£79,800		
Cans/Plastics	565	£15.00	£8,475		
Total	3,820		£101,825.00		
Associated Costs:					
Running vehicles into Todds site at Knapton Quarry					
based on £3/mile cost			£38,766		

Nett annual income

£63,059.00

From Cllr Walker

"I don't expect you to answer this now Cllr Cowling because its a pretty complex question but perhaps you'll be able to answer it sometime in the future for me? What sort of take up have we had percentage wise on this garden waste scheme from higher Council Tax paying properties as opposed to the lower Council Tax paying properties? The question being, is it them that can afford it that take it up and them that's skint that can't and I'd like to have the answer to that sometime in the future please."

Written response:

"Further to the question raised at Full Council last week regarding the take up of the garden waste service across the council tax bands please see the chart below which gives the distribution and shows that the majority of subscribers are within bands B, C, D and E (current subscription level @ 45%).

It has been possible to match the garden waste address information to the council tax information by 88% (a full property matching exercise is an outstanding action) and there is high confidence that this comparison gives an accurate indication of participation across the bands."

