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**REPORT TO:** FULL COUNCIL

**DATE:** 11 APRIL 2019

**SUBJECT:** PART 'B' REFERRALS FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE ON 14 MARCH 2019

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#### **94. Kerbside Recycling Service - Additional Funding Proposals to Increase Recycling**

Considered – Report of the Delivery and Frontline Services Lead

##### **Recommendation to Council**

That Council be recommended to approve the following proposals:

- i. The procurement of one additional recycling vehicle to provide operational resilience for planned maintenance and cover and to provide additional potential capacity to enable the further development of options to increase the current recycling service offered to residents and businesses
- ii. An increase in the revenue budget of £100,000 per year to cover the lease costs and anticipated associated increased operating costs of one additional recycling vehicle including resources\*
- iii. A capital budget totalling £100,000 for the procurement of 25,000 blue boxes (with 44 litre capacity) for paper and cardboard collections following a risk assessment for the kerbside collection service to ensure safe manual handling working procedures (£75,000) and for the refurbishment of all mini recycling centres (£25,000)
- iv. To revise the current household waste collection policy to provide boxes for all recycling materials, removing the use of bags for paper and cardboard to ensure safe working procedures and to provide additional boxes upon request
- v. To endorse the development and delivery of a proactive campaign to raise awareness of the current kerbside recycling collection service provided to all residents and approve one-off additional expenditure of £20,000 in 19/20 through the use of reserves.
- vi. That officers continue to assess the potential impacts for Ryedale District Council of the planned changes with the new DEFRA Resources and Waste Strategy in particular the proposed introduction of food waste collection and to submit further reports to members as details become available to allow officers to undertake the necessary preparatory work for possible future delivery subject to member approval.

*\* this figure only covers the cost of operational resilience for planned maintenance and cover and a forecast for two additional members of staff on the basis that recycling increases as a consequence of a proactive campaign to raise awareness of what can be recycled now as*

*part of the kerbside recycling collection service. It is possible that a further decision for additional revenue budget would be required if further additional resources were required to cover revised collection rounds to cope with increased capacity and demand once there is evidence to demonstrate a revised business case. The cost would be pro-rata in 19/20 circa £45,000.*