

**Council: Tuesday, 5 November 2013**

**Opposition Business Item:** Councillor Alan Schneiderman

Amendment in the name of Councillor Dean Cohen

Re-cycling Bin Fiasco

Paragraph 1 delete all after “has started” and replace with “with the collection of 580 tonnes of co-mingled recycling and 140 tonnes of food waste last week, proving residents are already recycling substantially more than under the previous system.”

Delete paragraphs 2 and 3. Insert the following two paragraphs:

“However, Council also notes that there were delays in the delivery of some bins and that the service has been having to deal with the few teething problems which must be expected when implementing a change on this scale.

October 14<sup>th</sup> was the single biggest day of change for waste collection that any local authority in the UK has ever undertaken.”

Replace paragraph 4 with “Council believes officers should be congratulated on what has gone well, but where there were mistakes Council calls on the Cabinet Member to continue his strong leadership and press ahead to impose the financial sanctions the council is allowed to under the delivery contract with SSI Schaeffer, while in timely fashion reviewing the number of bins needed in each property so those who wish to share a bin or switch between bags and bins can do so.”

Substantive Business Item to read:

Council notes that the new re-cycling service has started in earnest with the collection of 580 tonnes of co-mingled recycling and 140 tonnes of food waste last week, proving residents are already recycling substantially more than under the previous system.

However, Council also notes that there were delays in the delivery of some bins and that the service has been having to deal with the few teething problems which must be expected when implementing a change on this scale.

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