

Report to **Lead Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment**

Date **31 March 2008**

Report By **Director of Transport and Environment**

Title of Report **Abandoned Vehicle Contract**

Purpose of Report **To seek approval to continue the use of the existing abandoned car contractor for six months while the retendering process for a new contract is carried out.**

RECOMMENDATION:

To approve the continued use of the existing Abandoned Vehicle Contractor for six months while the retendering process for a new contract is carried out.

1. Financial Appraisal

1.1 The abandoned vehicle arrangement is a county wide agreement with all the Borough and District Councils for the collection and disposal of abandoned cars which is currently provided by H Ripley & Co.

1.2 A new five year contract, with a possible two year extension, will be tendered over the next six months, in accordance with contract standing orders. Costs are covered under the Waste Management budget for the next six months while the tender is prepared. The cost of tendering and consultation with Waste Collection Authorities will be accommodated in the Waste Management Budget.

2. Supporting Information

2.1 The current position is an innovative arrangement as it combined both the collection and disposal of abandoned cars and has run successfully for all the authorities for two years.

2.2 During the six month retendering process feedback will be sought from all participating partners including the five District and Borough Councils. An appraisal will also be made to ensure value for money is being achieved.

3. Conclusion and Reason for Recommendation

3.1 A countywide abandoned vehicle collection, and disposal contract is key to looking after our environment, and meeting the current Local Area Agreement Stretched target to remove abandoned cars within 24 hours. Extending the existing arrangement while the re-tendering process is being carried out, will ensure continuity of service, helping targets to be met, and fulfilling environmental safety objectives

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None