

Appendix A2- Wheeled Bin Expansion

Following the last wheeled bin roll out in 2015, there now remains a small number of properties that are deemed suitable for wheeled bins, but as yet have not been considered for wheeled expansion.

As wheeled bins provide safer and more robust storage for waste, they are the preferred container for general waste. They protect the waste so reducing issues of litter and pest attacks, so in turn leading to cleaner streets. In addition, they are safer for the operatives and residents to move to and from their property.

Overall, the provision of residual waste wheeled bins is more cost effective than the repeated, 6 monthly delivery of red striped bags. A wheeled bin can last more than 10 years; in the same period, it would cost significantly more to purchase and deliver bags.

There are also significant issues with the bi-annual delivery of red striped bags, which can be reduced by introducing wheeled bins wherever possible.

It is far more sustainable to have a re-useable container for residual waste, rather than single use plastic bags.

Officers carried out a physical, on street review of all properties with a red striped bag collection. The purpose of the review was to determine whether the properties would be suitable for a residual waste wheeled bins.

The general criteria for deciding whether a property should have a residual waste wheeled bin are:

- The property must have storage space within its boundary, which is off the public highway
- The storage space for the wheeled bin should be ground level (or risks appropriately evaluated)
- The implementation of bins will not cause any operational delays (e.g. all bag streets surrounding 1 street of bins)
- At least 80% of the properties within a street are suitable

Public opinion surrounding the aesthetics of bins in the area will not be considered, if all the above criteria are satisfied.

Conservation area status is a consideration; the general purpose of designating a street as a conservation area is to “preserve or enhance the character or appearance of an area”.

However, there is no specific schedule within conservation area legislation which relates to the provision of wheeled bins, so the argument will always be subjective. It can be argued that neatly stored bins can help improve the Local Environmental Quality of an area, by reducing the likelihood of split waste.

With this in mind, streets have been identified as being potentially suitable for wheeled bins. There are **3042** properties that could be changed to wheeled bins within the existing resources available.

A 140L black bin will be delivered as standard, free of charge. Green bins for garden waste may be explored where appropriate.

Replacements of lost/stolen bins will be charged at £25 in the future.

If a property has all ready been identified as requiring additional red striped bags due to their individual circumstances (very large families for example,) then they will be delivered a larger/additional bin as necessary.

Further discussions will take place with local ward councillors before bin(s) are issued to properties.

Each property to receive the new bin(s) will receive notification of the change, followed by their new bin and information on using them.