HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Cabinet
Date:	18 July 2023
Title:	Waste Disposal Recycling Arrangements
Report From:	Director of Universal Services

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1. The decisions:

- 1.1. That Cabinet approves the Inter Authority Agreement (IAA) setting out the financial and operational relationship between the County Council, the Waste Collection and Unitary Authorities of Portsmouth and Southampton City Councils.
- 1.2. That Cabinet approves the implementation of both the partnership agreement and financial arrangements from 1 April 2024.
- 1.3. That Cabinet approves that, regardless of whether Extended Producer Responsibility for packaging is implemented or not, 31 October 2023 is the date by which the County Council requires all Waste Collection and Unitary Authorities to approve and sign up to the IAA.
- 1.4. That Cabinet approves that, where sign up is not achieved by 31 October 2023, the implementation of the default financial arrangements, as set out in paragraph 38 of the accompanying report, with effect from 1 April 2024.
- 1.5. The Director of Universal Services be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services and the Lead Executive Member for Universal Services to approve non-material amendments to the partnership agreement to finalise it ahead of signing.
- 1.6. That the Director of Universal Services be given delegated authority, in consultation with the Leader and Executive Member for Hampshire 2050 and Corporate Services and the Lead Executive Member for Universal Services to vary the date and phasing of the implementation in relation to 65 (b) and (c) in the accompanying report, subject to the delivery of the new Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) at Eastleigh.

2. Reasons for the decision:

2.1. This decision is required to ensure that the County Council delivers the financial outcomes required to bridge the budget gap identified and outlined in the County Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy. 2.2. This decision is required to ensure that suitable arrangements are in place to support the investment that the County Council is due to make in new dry recycling transfer and processing infrastructure.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1. Continue with the existing Memorandum of Understanding this agreement was not legally binding and was developed more than 25 years ago and was therefore no longer fit for purpose considering the significant changes that have occurred both in terms of waste composition and the financial context for local authorities.
- 3.2. Proceed with no agreement in place an agreement is necessary to both recognise the statutory duties of waste collection and waste disposal authorities and ensure that there are suitable arrangements in place to manage the waste system in an efficient and effective manner.

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker:
- 4.2. Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted:
- 5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: none.
- 6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: not applicable.
- 7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:	Date:
	18 July 2023
Chairman of Cabinet Councillor Rob Humby	