



**COMMUNITY COUNCIL LIAISON SUB-COMMITTEE -
18TH NOVEMBER 2009**

SUBJECT: NEW REFUSE COLLECTION/RECYCLING ARRANGEMENTS

REPORT BY: WASTE STRATEGY AND OPERATIONS MANAGER

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1. All areas have had weekly garden and food collections introduced from 26th October 2009. Food caddies and information leaflets have been delivered to all properties (approximately 75,000). Recycling will continue on a weekly basis.
 2. All areas have been changed to fortnightly refuse collections and calendars provided with the next year's collection dates
 3. We have delivered approximately 47 - 48,000 brown wheel bins for recycling and are currently working on the delivery of an additional 5 - 6,000 brown bins plus over 1,000 box requests.
 4. During the first couple of weeks the Contact Centre have been taking large numbers of calls from residents checking their collection days as many will have had day changes for their refuse and garden/food.
 5. Early indications show a shift in weights collected from refuse towards the new garden/food collections and recycling services which is a very positive result, although it must be said it is very early days and we need to monitor the impact over the longer term.