

Public Question Time

Cabinet

2nd December 2020

Mr Roy Worman, Swindon resident, has asked the Cabinet Member for Commercialisation, Education and Skills along with the Cabinet Member for Highways, Maintenance, and Waste Services.

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1)...waste disposal removal of management fees, could you explain and break down the figures?

Response: This relates to shifts of projected income received from the sale of recyclable materials due to changes in current market conditions. SBC is simplifying the arrangements between the Council and PPS, along with recognising other cost pressures faced by the company.

2)....service improvement plans and Waste and recycling could you explain further?

Response: 'The end to end review of waste collection and disposal services and any changes to collection and disposal methodology the review may recommend.'

3)....waste Disposal of additional waste by Parishes, again could you be more specific?

Response: 'There has been an increase in the tonnage of waste generated by Parishes, potentially as a result Covid related tonnage movements.'

Appendix 1

4) What are the green waste disposal costs?

Response: 'This financial year to date c.£185k.'

5) What is the total extra income from the increased take up of green bins?

Response: 'This year to date compared to last full year an additional c. £205k.'

6) Has the Green Waste scheme ever shown a profit, if not when do you anticipate to break even?

Response: 'Garden Waste is currently showing an overall surplus of c. £245k once operating costs have been met (including staff, vehicles, disposal costs, fuel, container purchases and distribution, Christmas tree collection and disposal etc.). However any surplus created is being used to support other parts of the waste and recycling service.'