REPORT TO: Cabinet Member Environmental

DATE: 30th June 2010

SUBJECT: GREEN WASTE COMPOSTING TENDER

WARDS AFFECTED: All

REPORT OF: J G Black - Operational Services Director

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EXEMPT/ No

CONFIDENTIAL:

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To seek approval to re-tender the current green waste contract until 31st March 2013 with an option to extend for a further year.

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

To provide a continuous service for the disposal of green waste for composting.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Cabinet Member, Environmental agrees that:

Tenders are invited during 2010 for a Contract to be awarded for the period 1st April 2011 to 31st March 2013 with an option to extend for a further year.

KEY DECISION: No

FORWARD PLAN: No

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Following the call-in period.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:	None
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IMPLICATIONS:

Budget/Policy Framework: Costs are contained within the Cleansing Budgetary

Provision

Financial:

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2010/ 2011 £	2011/ 2012 £	2012/ 2013 £	2013/ 2014 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N		When?		
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

Legal:	Nil

Risk Assessment: N/A

Asset Management: N/A

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS -NONE

FD 400 - The Head of Corporate Finance & Information Services has been consulted and has no comments on this report.

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

Corporate Objective		Positive Impact	Neutral Impact	Negative Impact
1	Creating a Learning Community		✓	
2	Creating Safe Communities		✓	
3	Jobs and Prosperity		✓	
4	Improving Health and Well-Being		✓	
5	Environmental Sustainability	√		
6	Creating Inclusive Communities		✓	
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy		✓	
8	Children and Young People		✓	

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

Green Waste Composting Service: Gw/2008/01

Background

- The current contract for the disposal of green garden waste for composting comes to an end on March 31st 2011. There is no option to extend the contract for a further period.
- 2 Loose garden waste collected via green wheelie bins under the alternating weekly collection service (AWC) is delivered to Walkers Organic Solutions (formerly WRS Composting); approximately 20,000 tonnes per annum is delivered for composting. Bagged green waste, leaf fall and Christmas trees are delivered to Hightown Composting Company; approximately 1,000 tonnes per annum is delivered for composting.
- As the contract will have a value that exceeds the European Union procurement limit, for purchases of goods and / or services by Local Authorities, it will have to be re-tendered in order to maintain outlets for composting of green garden waste arisings.

Procurement

- Subject to approval, the Cleansing section will conduct a formal procurement process, advertised in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU). This will invite tenders for the processing of green garden waste, collected by Sefton Council and delivered to the processing facility, to produce compost.
- An evaluation of tenders will be carried out to seek approval to award, during this financial year, a new contract for the period 1st April 2011 to 31st March 2013. The new contract will include an option to extend for a further year.

Financial implications

The cost associated with the current contract for composting green waste is contained within the Cleansing budget, Whilst small variations to tendered prices may arise, it is anticipated that the overall cost will continue to be contained within the existing budget provided.