

**REPORT FROM:** ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGER

**TO:** NELSON COMMITTEE

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**REQUEST TO REMOVE PUBLIC RECYCLING SITE FROM B&Q CHURCHILL  
WAY NELSON**

**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To inform Members of the formal request received by the Council from B&Q to remove the public recycling site from the site located off Churchill Way, Nelson.

As previously reported prior to Members meeting in August Environmental Services had been formally requested by B&Q to remove the Bring site facility at their premises located on Churchill Way, Nelson. During the exchange of correspondence with B&Q representatives it was reported that the site is being misused by those who choose to flytip large household items at the site rather than dispose of them through the Council's free collection service or the appropriate facilities provided by the County Council in Burnley and Barnoldswick.

Environmental Services at the time put forward proposals to increase inspections at the site and suggested entering into a joint working arrangement to enforce against the illegal flytipping of waste at the site.

The case for retaining the site was put forward to the unit manager pressing upon them that this is an important community facility popular with their customers and residents of surrounding areas alike.

Unfortunately, we have now received a further request for the site to be removed and Members are advised that it is unlikely from current exchanges that a period of notice longer than 2 months would be granted by the unit manager.

Members are requested to consider whether suggestions for alternative sites could be put forward for investigation during this period.

## **IMPLICATIONS**

**Policy:** None

**Financial:** Possible costs of £2500 to be incurred by creation of new site, signage and relocation of containers.

**Legal:** None

**Risk Management:** None

**Health and Safety:** None

**Sustainability:** Loss of the site may impact on the Councils ability to meet the North West Regional Strategy to recycle or compost 55% of Household Waste by 2020.

**Community Safety:** None

**Equality and Diversity:** None

## **APPENDICES**

None

## **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None