

REPORT FROM: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGER

TO: NELSON COMMITTEE

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FOR INFORMATION

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

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To further 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 September 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.

Members may recall that Environmental Services reported having previously putting forward proposals to increase inspections at the site and entering into a joint working arrangement with B&Q to enforce against the illegal flytipping of waste at the site.

Further to the above 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.

Members of both the Brierfield and Reedley Area Committee and the Nelson Committee requested to meet with B&Q representatives to discuss the value of retaining the site in more depth.

The unit Manager in responding to this request has declined the offer to meet with members and has further requested confirmation of the sites removal.

Members are advised that it is unlikely from current exchanges that the site will remain at B&Q past the first week in December.

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