

**PENDLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
2018/19 GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET – SAVINGS PROPOSAL**

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| 1. SERVICE | Environmental Services |
| 2. IMPLEMENTATION DATE: | 1/4/18 |
| 3. CORPORATE PRIORITY | Working with partners and the community to sustain services of good value

Maintaining a sustainable, resilient and efficient organisation |
| 4. TITLE OF PROPOSAL | Administrative Charge for Replacement Bins & Boxes |

5. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:

Replacement Waste Containers – Administrative Charge £15 + VAT

In September 2010 an administrative charge was introduced (£10 for bins and £5 for boxes) only for it to be withdrawn after one month by the Council. There was very little complaint or public resistance during the time it was in place. The Council agreed to continue the charge for new build properties (currently £28 each for Grey & Brown bins) and there has been some resistance to this over the last year. Only 3 (including Pendle) of the Lancashire Authorities provide replacement waste bins for free with an average charge being £24.90 from the 11 who do make a charge.

To recover the full cost of providing replacement bins in Pendle it is estimated that a charge of over £32 per bin would be required.

Below are the number of bins issued free of charge within the last 12 months. This level is consistent each year.

Bin Type	Deliveries July 15 – Aug 16	Deliveries July 16 – Aug 17
Grey (General Refuse) bins	1,807	} 3,653
Brown (Dry Recycle) bins	1,572	
Total	3,379	3,653

It is worth noting that only 3 out of the 14 Lancashire Districts do not charge for replacement bins; South Ribble, Pendle and Hyndburn (who are reviewing their service in July 2018), Charges for replacement bins vary throughout Lancashire from £15 per bin, rising to £39 in Ribble Valley.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (NET ADDITIONAL SAVINGS)

	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	2020/21 £
Revenue	45,000	0	0
Capital	0	0	0

7. IMPACT ON SERVICE PROVISION, IMPLEMENTATION AND OTHER ISSUES

A charge of £15 + VAT would cover the Councils administration and delivery costs but the bin would remain free of charge.

The underlying intention is to reduce net expenditure and encourage residents to take more responsibility for the containers provided to them. In addition to this, It also discourages households from obtaining additional bins limiting the amount of waste for disposal and into landfill. From a sustainability viewpoint it is expected that requests for new bins will reduce which would promote the reuse and recycle policy.

It is estimated that the introduction of such a charge would generate net additional income of £45,000 per annum, taking into account the likely reduction in demand.