

<b>Report title</b>	<b>Adopted RBC Bin Policy and fox-proof bins</b>
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<b>Exempt?</b>	No
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<b>Reasons for exemption</b>	N/A

**Purpose of report:**

**For information**

**Synopsis of report:**

**To advise the Committee of the newly adopted Borough-wide Litter & Dog Waste Bin Policy and update regarding fox-proof bins.**

**Recommendation(s):**

- i) To note approval of the new litter and dog waste bin policy by the Environment and Sustainability Committee in September 2023**
- ii) To note any implications for Englefield Green**

**1. Context and background of report**

- 1.1 At the last committee of June 2023, it was agreed that officers would provide an update on the borough-wide bin policy at this committee.

**2. Litter and Dog Waste Bin Policy & fox proof bins**

- 2.1 The new litter and dog waste bin policy was adopted at the September E&S Committee.
- 2.2 Officers will be adding signage to the bins to indicate their use for both litter and dog waste. These signs will include a QR code for reporting purposes.



2.3 Officers will look to retain rural style bins on Englefield Green should any need to be replaced in future.

2.3 In reference to fox proof bins, the committee were asked during the June 2023 committee meeting to provide details of fox proof bins, none were supplied.

### **3. Policy framework implications**

3.1 In line with the newly adopted Litter and Dog waste bin policy

### **4 Resource implications/Value for Money**

4.1 Signage for the existing bins to be funded by RBC.

### **5. Legal implications**

5.1 None in respect of additional signage where new signs are sited on existing equipment. Replacement of bins will necessitate officers obtaining the consent of the Crown Estate pursuant to the provisions of the Council 's 1955 lease of the Englefield Green, where the surface of the land is broken to facilitate replacement and because such bins could be considered to be 'erections'.

### **6. Equality implications**

6.1 None stated

### **7. Environmental/Sustainability/Biodiversity implications**

7.1 Encouraging and supporting residents and visitors to use litter bins reduces the volume of fly tipping and the cost of fly tipping collections. Allowing litter bins to be used by dog walkers will increase availability of bins for dog walkers.

### **9. Timetable for Implementation**

9.1 The new stickers/signs are being rolled out over the next year.

### **10. Conclusions**

- 10.1 The newly adopted bin policy will help to reduce site 'clutter' by reducing the number of litter receptacles and new signage will align with the new message that dog waste can be added to litter bins.

## **11. Background papers**

- 11.1 None stated

## **12. Appendices**

- 12.1 Runnymede Litter and Dog Waste Policy