

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL
Record of Executive Decision

Abandoned Shopping Trolleys

Decision of: Councillor C Rosenstiel, Executive Councillor for Environmental Services

Reference: 06/ENV/39

Date of decision: 7 November 2006 **Recorded on:** 7 November 2006

Decision Type: Not Key

Matter for Decision: Cambridge City Council currently experiences difficulties with abandoned shopping trolleys in the City and these decisions are intended to address these difficulties.

Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):

The environmental and community safety implications are the most significant in the adoption of Schedule 4 as abandoned trolleys at the least, look unsightly and at the worst can cause obstruction to highways, and blockages and subsequent flooding of rivers, streams and watercourses.

The Executive Councillor's decision:

Agreed

- a) To the adoption of Schedule 4 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 S99 as amended by the Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005.
- b) The scale of charges for the cost recovery scheme as set out in Appendix 1 (attached to this Record of Decision)
- c) The setting up of a local agreement with stores allowing them to collect their own trolleys within a defined time scale.

Reasons for the decision: As set out in the officer report.

Scrutiny consideration: The Scrutiny Committee decided not to scrutinise the decision.

Report: Agenda Item 2 of Agenda B on 7 November 2006.

Conflicts of interest: No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor.

Comments: No comments.

Proposed Charges to be made to owners of abandoned shopping trolleys in Cambridge

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| Collection of Abandoned shopping trolley | £25 |
| Storage at Mill Road Depot | £2.50 per trolley per day |
| Administration charges | £20 |
| Return of claimed trolley to the store Based on delivery of 40 trolleys per load. | £1.25 per trolley |
| Disposal | £1.00 per trolley |

The proposal is to charge store owners for storage on the basis of a fee per week or part thereof. The table below reflects that trolley owners may wish to collect their trolleys rather than have them returned to the store.

Trolleys, which remain unclaimed at the end of the 6 weeks, will be disposed of with £1.00 per trolley added to the fee.

| | Returned to store | Collected from depot by store |
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| Claimed within the first week | £63.75 | £62.50 |
| Claimed within the second week | £81.25 | £80.00 |
| Claimed within the third week | £98.75 | £97.50 |
| Claimed within the fourth week | £116.25 | £115.00 |
| Claimed within the fifth week | £133.75 | £132.50 |
| Claimed within the sixth week | £151.25 | £150.00 |

Charge to trolley owners for the collection, storage and disposal of unclaimed trolley
£151.00 per trolley