

**Growth Bids 2009/10**

- 1.1 The budget guidelines agreed by the Executive in October 2008 indicated that there should be **NO GROWTH** unless funding has been identified to fund.
- 1.2 The following growth bid is asked for consideration and funding is being sought.

Revenue Growth Bid 2009/10		
<b>Service:</b>	Environmental Services	
<b>Bid for:</b>	Food Waste Recycling	
<b>Strategic Priority:</b>	Cleaner Greener Cherwell	
<b>Funding:</b>	Increase sought for 2009/10	£ 40k – to be found
	Additional increase 2010/11 onwards	£ 140k– to be found
<b>Prime Drivers</b>		
<b>Meet a corporate target?(please detail)</b> Food Waste Recycling is essential to meet the corporate priorities for increasing recycling and reducing waste to landfill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Increase our recycling to 53% by 2010 and to 55% by 2011</li> <li>- Reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill by 2000 tonnes by 2010 and a further 1000 tonnes in 2011</li> </ul>		Y/N
<b>Respond to satisfaction survey? (please detail which survey and detail satisfaction issue raised)</b> This is important to deal with the customer satisfaction of recycling and refuse. Recycling satisfaction has drifted down from 79% to 75% Refuse satisfaction is at 68% with around 22% dissatisfied because of two weekly collections. Collecting food will increase refuse satisfaction and recycling satisfaction		Y/N
<b>Address equalities issues (state source: EqIA? And detail nature of action)</b>		Y/N
<b>Spend to Save initiative (spell out nature and likely time)</b>		Y/N

<p><b>frame to recover costs arising from savings achieved)</b>  Not directly but if food waste is not eventually launched the new financial arrangements will not be beneficial for Cherwell</p>	
<p><b>What will the additional funding be used for?</b>  There are two elements – loss of benefit of garden waste recycling credits and launch costs.</p> <p>Currently each tonne of garden waste has a gate fee of around £20/tonne and a recycling credit fee is received of around £40/tonne. This is a £20/tonne to help offset operational costs. Once food waste is collected with the garden waste this benefit is lost. Since we collect around 13000 tonnes of garden waste the loss is £260k/year. However the new financial arrangements benefit Cherwell from out performing landfill targets. In 2010/11 this benefit is around £120/130k. Hence the loss of £140k in 2010/11.</p> <p>If the timing is right in 2009/10 the loss in garden waste credits may be limited to £80-100k and this should match the benefit from the new financial which should make it cost neutral.</p> <p>However the scheme launch requires investment – launch costs, publicity costs, kitchen caddies and liners, delivery costs etc. It is expected that a mixture of revenue and capital is required and a bid for half these funds from the Oxfordshire Waste Partnership will be sort. With the capital bid and revenue together there is an expected need of £240k with 50% of this hopefully funded by the OWP.</p>	
<p><b>What outcomes is it expected to deliver (and by when)?</b></p> <p>Food waste recycling is expected to take the recycling rate beyond 55%. This is likely in the first full year of operation in 2010/11.</p> <p>It is also expected to improve the 2010 customer satisfaction survey results</p>	
<p><b>How will success be assessed/measured?</b>  Tonnages and the National Indicators as well as 2010 Customer satisfaction survey</p>	
<p><b>What are the implications of not approving this bid?</b> If not approved recycling rates will not improve and the corporate targets will not be met. Customer satisfaction will slowly fall. Also it would put strain on the OWP partnership because LATS targets in 2010 may not be met and would not be met in the future</p>	

- 1.3 The bid will be considered by Members for approval before being incorporated in to the budget or not in the January and February 2009 budget reports.