



AGENDA ITEM:

SUMMARY

Report for:	SPAE Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Date of meeting:	October 13th 2015
PART:	1
If Part II, reason:	

Title of report:	New Waste Service Update
Contact:	Councillor Janice Marshall , Portfolio Holder for Environmental Services and Sustainability Craig Thorpe, Group Manager, Environmental Services
Purpose of report:	1. To update Members on R4D - The New Waste Service
Recommendations	1. That the report is noted and any comments are passed to the Portfolio Holder for her consideration.
Corporate objectives:	To provide a clean and green environment
Implications:	<u>Financial</u>
'Value For Money Implications'	There is currently an adverse variance on the waste service budgets due to issues with productivity on the new service and higher levels of sickness than expected. <u>Value for Money</u> None as a result of this report
Risk Implications	NA
Equalities Implications	NA
Health And Safety	NA

Implications	
Consultees:	Officers
Background papers:	
Historical background <i>(please give a brief background to this report to enable it to be considered in the right context).</i>	In November 2014 a new waste service was introduced which saw the service move from a “source separated” service to a fully comingled service with a weekly collection of separated food waste.
Glossary of acronyms and any other abbreviations used in this report:	

1. Due to a change in the quality accreditation (PAS 100) for compostable waste green waste collected with cardboard and food included was deemed no longer fit to spread to land and therefore Local Authorities such as Dacorum, and other Hertfordshire Authorities were tasked with removing cardboard from the green waste stream by January 2015.
2. It was difficult to be certain how much food waste was being disposed of in the green waste bin but through a compositional analysis study undertaken by North Herts District Council it was widely accepted that approximately 30% of food waste was still being disposed of at landfill when not collected separately.
3. A number of options were debated through the Task and Finish Group and it was agreed at Cabinet in June 2013 that food waste should be removed from the green waste bin at the same time as removing cardboard along with the provision of a fully comingled dry recycling service.
4. On November 24th 2014 the new waste collection service commenced consisting of the following services:
 - Alternate weekly collection of residual waste
 - Alternate weekly collection of a fully comingled waste
 - Weekly collection of food waste
5. A presentation on progress since November 2014 will be given on the evening