

**KEY DECISION**

Proposed to be made by  
the Cabinet on  
**3 November 2010**

<p><b>LEAD MEMBER/ PORTFOLIO HOLDER</b></p> <p>Mike Webb</p>	<p><b>ITEM</b></p> <p>GARDEN WASTE SERVICE REPORT</p>	<p><b>WARDS AFFECTED</b></p> <p>All wards affected</p>
<p><b>DOCUMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE DECISION TAKER</b></p> <p>Garden Waste Service report and any attached appendices</p> <p><b>REPORT AUTHOR</b></p> <p>Guy Revans Head of Environmental Services 01527 881703</p>	<p><b>SUMMARY</b></p> <p>The report requires members to make decision on financial, strategic and operational matter that will directly affect the future of the garden waste service. Decisions need to be made over the cost of the service for future years; development of customer payment methods; customer identification methods to allow accurate recording and control of customers and non customers; bin sizes; communicating to our customers year on year; development of a trading account for the service; budget for ongoing brown bin provision; move to rear end loaders and use of a new composting facility. Some of the issues will have a substantial financial impact on the service, both in set up and operational costs however will enhance the experience of the customer however it will enable the service to be managed effectively.</p>	<p><b>REASONS FOR BEING ON THE FORWARD PLAN</b></p> <p>The areas outlined in the summary will have a direct affect on the future of the garden waste service, its ability to generate income and to operate as a commercial operation.</p> <p>As at 1st April 2010 15,169 households have applied for this service and these customers are spread across all wards within the district.</p>

<b>CONSULTATION DETAILS</b>	<b>Method of Consultation</b>	<b>Consultation period or dates</b>
<b>Stakeholders</b> NA		

**DECISION TO BE MADE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH**  
Redditch Borough Council