

## **Waste Management & Neighbourhood Services**

### **Street Cleaning Consultation - Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **1) Why are we proposing these changes to street cleansing?**

All parts of the council are required to contribute to total budget savings of £37.2m for the period 2021-2023. As part of efforts to meet this target, the Waste and Neighbourhood Services team is consulting on proposals that would reduce the cost of street cleansing by £270,000 per year.

#### **2) What street cleansing services does the council currently provide?**

- Mechanical road sweeping and pavement sweeping
- Emptying and maintaining litter bins
- Removal of fly-tipping
- Street sweeping in town centres
- Weed spraying
- Removal of offensive graffiti
- Removing items such as dead animals and debris from road traffic collisions.

#### **3) Will my street be less clean? How will this affect me, my family or business?**

We do not expect streets to be less clean. The council's well-established street cleaning teams have a lot of local knowledge and a good understanding of the times and places that are likely to need cleaning. The proposed new setup will give them the flexibility to work at the locations that need it.

#### **4) Will we still have litter bins in our town centres and on main roads?**

Yes. There are no proposed changes to the current number of litter bins.

#### **5) What will happen in town centres on weekends and on bank holidays?**

It could take us a bit longer to clean town centres, although this will still be done in the mornings.

#### **6) Will these changes affect the way my wheeled bin is collected?**

No, your wheeled bin collection will not be impacted by the proposed changes. A completely different team collects wheeled bins.