

The purpose of this assessment is to help us understand the likely impacts of our decisions on the environment of North Yorkshire and on our aspiration to achieve net carbon neutrality by 2030, or as close to that date as possible. The intention is to mitigate negative effects and identify projects which will have positive effects.

This document should be completed in consultation with the supporting guidance. The final document will be published as part of the decision making process and should be written in Plain English.

If you have any additional queries which are not covered by the guidance please email climatechange@northyorks.gov.uk

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Please note: You may not need to undertake this assessment if your proposal will be subject to any of the following:

Planning Permission
Environmental Impact Assessment
Strategic Environmental Assessment

However, you will still need to summarise your findings in the summary section of the form below.

Please contact climatechange@northyorks.gov.uk for advice.

Title of proposal	Changes to Services to be delivered by Yorwaste Ltd using the 'Teckal' Procurement Exemption
Brief description of proposal	To obtain approval to vary the Yorwaste Services Contract to add new Schedules for garden waste processing and DMR acceptance, transport and processing for Scarborough.
Directorate	Environment
Service area	Waste Management
Lead officer	Joanne Kearney
Names and roles of other people involved in carrying out the impact assessment	
Date impact assessment started	5 February 2024

Options appraisal

Were any other options considered in trying to achieve the aim of this project? If so, please give brief details and explain why alternative options were not progressed.

The option to procure the garden waste requirements for Ryedale, Scarborough and Selby was considered, but market testing failed to identify alternative outlets within the geographical area.

What impact will this proposal have on council budgets? Will it be cost neutral, have increased cost or reduce costs?

Please explain briefly why this will be the result, detailing estimated savings or costs where this is possible.

The proposal will have an impact on council budgets, particularly the total cost for Scarborough DMR. This is due to increased costs in the processing of materials, and a reduction in the rebate value of the recyclables.

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<p>Minimise greenhouse gas emissions e.g. reducing emissions from travel, increasing energy efficiencies etc.</p>	<p>Emissions from travel</p>	X		<p>We are unable to determine if there will be a positive or negative impact on emissions from travel for Scarborough DMR as this is dependent on the location of the contractor which is successful in winning the tender for the haulage and processing of this material. There is no impact to the other services, as the existing processing points for garden waste will continue to be used. There is a question within the quality questions asking how the contractor will reduce carbon emissions when delivering the contract.</p>		
	<p>Emissions from construction</p>	X		<p>No anticipated impact</p>		
	<p>Emissions from running of buildings</p>	X		<p>No anticipated impact as a building already exists.</p>		

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	Emissions from data storage		X		No anticipated impact		
	Other						
<p>Minimise waste: Reduce, reuse, recycle and compost e.g. reducing use of single use plastic</p>	X			<p>As part of future service integration across NYC, a review of all refuse and recycling services will be undertaken. LGR also provides opportunity for increased levels of collaborative activity on recycling and waste minimisation.</p>		<p>Government’s recently announced Simpler Recycling now provides the framework for harmonised services across NYC and key dates that we will work towards.</p>	
<p>Reduce water consumption</p>		X		No anticipated impact			
<p>Minimise pollution (including air, land, water, light and noise)</p>		X		No anticipated impact			

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Ensure resilience to the effects of climate change e.g. reducing flood risk, mitigating effects of drier, hotter summers		X		No anticipated impact		
Enhance conservation and wildlife		X		No anticipated impact		
Safeguard the distinctive characteristics, features and special qualities of North Yorkshire's landscape		X		No anticipated impact		
Other (please state below)						

Are there any recognised good practice environmental standards in relation to this proposal? If so, please detail how this proposal meets those standards.

The recently announced Simpler Recycling policies and statutory guidance will identify further best practise and minimum service standards.

Summary Summarise the findings of your impact assessment, including impacts, the recommendation in relation to addressing impacts, including any legal advice, and next steps. This summary should be used as part of the report to the decision maker.

Including provision of services for garden waste and Scarborough DMR within the Yorwaste Teckal Services Agreement allows North Yorkshire Council to carry out a full waste service review to ensure future services are efficient, effective and high performing. The Teckal Services Agreement allows for greater flexibility in service provision than a traditional outsourced contract and so is more reactive if future improvements to environmental performance are identified. As the waste services harmonisation progresses, further climate change impact assessments will be carried out as appropriate and will give further detail about potential positive environmental impacts and outcomes.

Sign off section

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