

Agenda Item No:	8	
Committee:	COUNCIL	
Date:	13 SEPTEMBER 2018	
Report Title:	PETITION - CLINICAL WASTE COLLECTION CHARGES	

1 Purpose / Summary

For Council to consider a petition regarding the implementation of charges for Clinical Waste collections

2 Key issues

- The Council has received a petition objecting to the implementation of charges for clinical waste collections following the decision by the NHS to withdraw the collection service.
- In summary the petition states "We, the residents of Fenland, do not support the proposal of charging us £8 for each collection of clinical waste and sharps boxes. There has been no consultation with residents whatsoever. Despite the decision by the NHS, there is no other Council in Cambridgeshire that we could find that is now charging for this service. We therefore urge Fenland District Council to reconsider this decision to charge private households for the collection of hygiene and clinical waste.
- At the time of writing the petition had received 706 electronic signatures, therefore exceeding the minimum 500 signatures required to facilitate a debate at full Council
- When considering a petition, the Council has several options on how to respond to the petition including;
 - Taking the action requested in the petition
 - Considering the petition at a council meeting
 - Referring the petition for consideration by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee

3 Recommendations

- For Council to consider the petition.

Wards Affected	All
Forward Plan Reference	
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Background Paper(s)	Overview and Scrutiny Fees and Charges Report 15 January 2018 Cabinet Fees and Charges Report 18 January 2018.