

**RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL
POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

DECISION

Agenda Item No

meeting date: 22 SEPTEMBER 2009
title: REFERENCES FROM COMMITTEE
submitted by: DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To consider requests for additional funding from Health and Housing Committee.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Committees manage their services within the agreed budget. Where new schemes or additional spending pressures arise during the year they can request this Committee to provide additional funding (supplementary estimates).

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- 3.1 Members considered a request for additional funding to extend the provision of dog waste bins and emptying over a 5 year rolling programme.
- 3.2 The extra funding required would be to purchase the bins, employ a dedicated cleansing operative and purchase a suitable vehicle to collect and dispose of all dog waste arising. This totalled set up costs of £17,300 and annual costs of £25,100 (£22,550 in the first year).
- 3.3 Health and Housing Committee agreed to extend the service in principle and referred the request for extra funding to this Committee.
- 3.4 Members expressed some concern that no alternative methods for implementing such an extension of the service had been put forward.

4 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 If approved, set up costs could be considered to be of a capital nature and thus would be added to the Council's capital programme. The annual costs of £25,100 would need to be incorporated into the revenue budget.

5 RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE

- 5.1 Consider this request from Health and Housing Committee for additional funding.

DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

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