

1. DOG BINS

The extent of the services provided by EDDC is under review, with feedback awaited from EDDC as to the actual frequency of the service. It was originally anticipated that all bins would be emptied 3 times per week, but feedback from parish that the bins instead are serviced twice a week in Broadclyst and Tithebarn, and once a week in Westclyst. Officers continue to chase a response. In addition, EDDC have advised that there is not currently scope to take on additional dog bin emptying within the parish. With the ever increasing need to provide waste facilities for our expanding residential numbers, quotations have been requested from independent companies for this service. It is estimated that an additional requirement of 6 bins would provide a suitable level of provision for residents of the Tithebarn and Westclyst Developments. The cost per bin quoted, on a weekly basis, is £8/bin. Given the requirement for 6 additional bins, this would equate to an annual additional maintenance cost of £2,496. The total cost of the dog bins that are currently serviced through EDDC (for the provision of 23 bins) is £7,320, with £2,865 being recharged to third parties (net £4,456). The total budget allocation for 2024/2025 is £8,640, which would allow budget for these additional costs.

Recommendation:

- Allocate spend of £1000 for the purchase and installation of additional bins.
- Instruct the outside cleaning company to empty 6 bins within the parish, at a cost of £8/bin/visit on a weekly basis.

2. YOUTH UPDATE - YMCA

A Q2 review took place with YMCA in respect of the agreed SLA and Description of Service and what achievements have been made in respect of the requirements detailed within each document. A concern was raised in respect of the provisions available in both Tithebarn and Westclyst for the purposes of providing youth provisions to these areas, both by way of a usable space and also storage of equipment.

To date, YMCA have approached Westclyst Primary School to raise enquiries as to whether their site is available for a base within the area for youth work. This space has not yet been secured (initial talks have highlighted lack of availability, ongoing discussions are taking place) and there is now a youth group running remotely from the skatepark at Westclyst, each Tuesday from 4.30pm-6pm.

As part of the Westclyst youth works, permission has been sought from GreenSquare to utilise a gazebo in the space, to provide a temporary shelter for the group during the sessions. This is not an ideal solution in the longer term and an alternative option is recommended.

Recommendation:

To allocate a budget spend for the provision of a mobile unit, using Capital Expenditure to the value of £35,000, for use within all areas of the parish and the purposes of weekly youth work and community engagement, including elements of the community connector role, consultations and information sessions, either from any existing 2024/2025 budget surplus or with new 2025/2026 allocations.

This concludes my report.

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Appendix 1 - Examples of vehicles for consideration:



<https://secondhand-exhibition-and-display-equipment.co.uk/listing/85371/mobile-display-vehicle-east-cambridgeshire>



https://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/156010889386?_trkparms=amclsrc%3DITM%26aid%3D111001%26algo%3DREC.S.EED%26ao%3D1%26asc%3D20240304162621%26meid%3D8505fb565c5d48649f2dcc80b0b0caf7%26pid%3D102020%26rk%3D1%26rkt%3D8%26sd%3D156010889386%26itm%3D156010889386%26pmt%3D0%26noa%3D1%26pg%3D2332490&_trksid=p2332490.c102020.m5276



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<https://www.multivehicletechnology.co.uk/for-sale/exhibition-vehicle-3500-kgs-for-sale-ref-mvt67/>