

Potential Activity That Could Be Devolved to The Parishes – For Discussion

Grounds Maintenance

Maintenance of all Cemeteries inclusive of those open and closed.

Maintenance of verges both urban and rural inclusive of the gateways and any land on the side of the highway.

Maintenance would include hedges and grass cutting and weed control, bedding plants and HRA grounds maintenance that is contracted to SBC (This would provide a revenue income).

Street Cleaning Activity

Inclusive of Town Centre cleaning including Car Parks and bin emptying.

Fly Tipping removal and waste enforcement – There are a number of Models that can support carrying out this activity in addition to the normal approach of being supported by directly employed staff. External schemes exist and could provide a mutually beneficial and enhanced offering.

Removal of Graffiti

The cleaning of Public Toilets across the Borough.

Tree Maintenance

As Tree Maintenance is a Statutory responsibility SBC would need to maintain the Tree inspections and other Statutory duties including assessment of risk associated with insurance claims, however, activity could be devolved to the Parishes which would include areas such as maintaining trees and instructions to remove based on Insurance risk.

There is an argument that the tree service should revert to Highways as the majority of trees are street trees or adjacent to highway.

Liability and risk for the tree service remains high.

Drainage

Clear leaves and other debris from gully grid tops and drainage grips.

Clear vegetation from the entrances and exits of highway culverts.

Unlit Traffic Signs

Ensure legibility and visibility of traffic signs including straightening, cleaning and removing vegetation.

Repaint traditional finger and mileposts.

General Maintenance

Clear foliage blocking the visibility of road traffic signs.

Clear all minor storm debris discharged onto the highway and keep tidy all specified roads.

This list is not exhaustive and should there be other potential areas that would be mutually beneficial to review and deliver a benefit for our Customers we are more than happy to include them for discussion.