

CABINET - MONDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2025 NOTICE OF DECISIONS PUBLISHED ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2025

Item 5	
Investment Board Update and Review of the Commercial and Investment Stra	itegy
Purpose	
To provide Cabinet with an update of the work of the Investment Board from March 2025.	2025 to July
Decision	
AGREED to note the report from the Investment Board and that the ongoing recurrent Commercial and Investment Strategy as determined by the constitution delegated to the S151 officer is still currently deferred.	
Reason for Decision	
N/A	
Alternative Options Considered	
N/A	
Interests	
None	
Background Documents	
Investment Board minutes	
Commercial and Investment Strategy	
Cabinet update report 22 March 2022	
Cabinet update report 30 January 2023	
Cabinet update 16 March 2023	
Cabinet update report 11 September 2023	
Cabinet update report 15 July 2024	

Refuse, Recycling and Cleansing HGV Fleet Replacement

Purpose

To recommend to Council the approval of the procurement of the required HGV vehicles as part of the ongoing Fleet Replacement Plan.

To recommend to Council the delegation of the procurement of these vehicles to the relevant director, through existing procurement frameworks or mini tender as required, in consultation with the portfolio holder.

Decision

AGREED to:

- recommend to Council to approve the procurement of the 4 HGV vehicles for delivery April 2026 as part of the ongoing Fleet Replacement Plan.
- recommend to Council this vehicle and capital requirement for 2027/28 and 2028/29 and for these requirements to be added to the Medium-Term Financial Strategy.
- recommend to Council the delegation of the procurement of these vehicles to the corporate director with responsibility for Environmental Services, through existing procurement frameworks or mini tender as required, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder responsible for street sweeping, recycling and refuse collection
- note that the total value of required vehicles that will need to be ordered within the next
 24 months is expected to be in the region of £2,560,000. The Chief Finance Officer will determine the best value means of financing these necessary vehicles.

Reason for Decision

Fenland provides statutory and chargeable waste services to domestic, municipal and commercial premises. To achieve this in a reliable, efficient and effective fashion there is a need to maintain the HGV vehicle fleet appropriately, including replacement at end of life.

The lead-in and build times on these types of vehicles is currently around 12 months, the sooner that approval and orders are in place the more likely definite delivery dates will match to service requirements and the fleet replacement plan.

The refuse freighters are purchased through a RECAP shared framework to provide best value for the Cambridgeshire authorities, including Peterborough.

Alternative Options Considered

Continue to maintain existing fleet without replacement. This option was discounted because of the risk of significant expensive failures such as engine, chassis or transmission creating large costs and service disruption in these high mileage vehicles.

The transformation team identified that contract hire was significantly more expensive than outright purchase within their review of the Environmental Services Workshop and thus contract hire has been dismissed as an option.

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Interests
None
Background Documents
N/A

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The 23 September 2025 at 1700 hours is the expiry date for call-in by the Overview and Scrutiny Panel of any of the above decisions. These decisions will come into force and may then be implemented on 24 September, with the exception of any that the Overview and Scrutiny Panel calls in.