

Somerset Waste Partnership reference: 2017-117  
Enquiries regarding garden waste  
Date of response: 10.03.2017

I am writing regarding your recent request for information from Somerset Waste Partnership, which has been dealt with under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Somerset Waste Partnership is a partnership of Mendip, Sedgemoor, South Somerset and West Somerset District Councils, Taunton Deane Borough Council and Somerset County Council. This response covers all those partner authorities.

I confirm we hold this information. In response to your questions: -

Do you currently charge for green waste collections? If Yes, can you please provide the following information

Have you applied increases to such charges in the last 24 months and if so

- What is the current charge? – Please see below
- How much did you increase the charge(s) by? – Please see below

#### **Garden waste collection service charges for 2014/15:**

<b>District</b>	<b>Wheeled Bin</b>	<b>Sacks (10)</b>
Mendip	£46.50	£25
Sedgemoor	£46.50	£25
South Somerset (Two year option)	£46.50 (12 months) or £88.00 (24 months)	£25
Taunton Deane	£46.50	£25
West Somerset	£46.50	£25

#### **Garden waste collection service charges for 2015/16:**

<b>District</b>	<b>Wheeled Bin</b>	<b>Sacks (10)</b>
Mendip	£48	£25
Sedgemoor	£48	£25
South Somerset (Two year option)	£48 (12 months) or £88 (24 months)	£25
Taunton Deane	£48	£25
West Somerset	£48	£25

#### **Garden waste collection service charges for 2016/17:**

<b>District</b>	<b>Wheeled Bin</b>	<b>Sacks (10)</b>
Mendip	£50	£26

Sedgemoor	£53	£26
South Somerset (Two year option)	£50 (12 months) or £95 (24 months)	£26
Taunton Deane	£53	£26
West Somerset	£53	£26

### Garden waste collection service charges for 2017/18:

District	Wheeled Bin	Sacks (10)
<a href="#">Mendip</a>	£53.50	£26.50
<a href="#">Sedgemoor</a>	£53.50	£26.50
<a href="#">South Somerset</a> (Two year option)	£53.50 (12 months) or £100.00 (24 months)	£26.50
<a href="#">Taunton Deane</a>	£53.50	£26.50
<a href="#">West Somerset</a>	£53.50	£26.50

- What % impact did this have on subscribers to the service?  
Please see the attached Excel spreadsheet.

If you feel your request has not been answered in sufficient detail or if you wish to clarify the information given please contact me and I will be happy to address the issues you raise.

If you are not satisfied with the way in which your request has been dealt with, or the information you have received, you can ask for an internal review of our decision.

Please send your request to:

Peter Grogan  
Information Governance Team  
Somerset County Council  
County Hall  
Taunton  
TA1 4DY or email [informationgovernance@Somerset.gov.uk](mailto:informationgovernance@Somerset.gov.uk)

An internal review will then be carried out and we will write to you with the results of our investigation. If you are not content with the outcome of our review, you may then apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (<https://ico.org.uk>) for an appeal: The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane

Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF      Tel: 0303 123 1113

Please quote the reference numbers at the top of this e-mail in any future correspondence with Somerset Waste Partnership.

Yours sincerely