

## **Freedom of Information Request 829-17**

### **Request**

Dear Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council Can legally force an extra £40 charge on customers who do not want a green bin.

### **Response**

Rotherham MBC currently provides a free garden waste collection but the Council is proposing to introduce a charge for this service and is to consult with its residents on its proposals.

A separate kerbside garden waste collection is a discretionary service supplied by the Council and under waste legislation it is a service that councils do not have to supply for free and a service that a fee for its provision can be charged. Legislation also states that the Council has the discretion to set the amount of the fee, decide what waste container to use and frequency of collection.

Subscription for this service is discretionary and those that do not require this service do not need to partake.

If customers do not wish to receive this service they will not be required to subscribe.