

REPORT TO ENVIRONMENT AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE  
**MINSHULL STREET BIN**

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## **1.0 BACKGROUND**

The council has received complaints about littering at the top of Minshull Street / Tatton Street via members and the Town Centre and Marketing Officer. Whilst there are bins located between 50 and 100 meters away (on Heritage Way, Tatton Street and King Street) there is frequently littering in the area. The litter primarily appears to originate from customers of Babylon.

There is insufficient space to install a bin directly outside Babylon due to the narrow pavement, however it would be possible to install a bin opposite outside the Lord Eldon or outside Roberta.

The cost of a heritage style cast iron litterbin to match the others in the town centre is £600. ANSA will empty the bin as part of its routine bin collections.

## **2.0 CLIMATE EMERGENCY CONSIDERATION**

In September, the council declared a climate emergency. Whilst work is ongoing (and on this committee agenda) to determine how the council will tackle the climate emergency, but the committee may wish to consider whether any new bins should enable the separation of recyclable waste.

A black steel dual bin would cost a similar amount (in the region of £600) and encourage the separation of recyclable waste from general litter. Confirmation from ANSA will be needed that they can routinely empty a recycling bin in the town centre and this could form part of a general discussion about increasing the ability to separate waste in the town centre. In a previous discussion (where ANSA has agreed to empty a recycling bin at the Crosstown Community Orchard) ANSA has advised that if the recycling waste is contaminated by non-recyclables it would be disposed of as general waste.

The council has previously installed cast iron litter bins for their heritage value. There is not a cast iron recycling option so any dual bins would be black stainless steel.

## **3.0 DECISIONS REQUIRED**

The committee should consider providing a additional litter bin to tackle the littering at Minshull Street.