

## **CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Ferndale Bin Request**

#### **1. Recommendation**

- Approve the installation of **ONE** of **TWO** litter bin requests (Approve A) in Ferndale at the proposed locations (see Site Plan) as it meets the Council's Litter Bin Policy.
- To decline (Decline B) the installation of a second bin due to the proximity of other bins.
- Delegate implementation to the Operations Manager, including ordering, siting, and programming into the IDV emptying schedule.
- Note that the bin will be monitored for usage as per IDV bin use analysis; if any are persistently under-used or misused, relocation may be recommended.

#### **2. Background**

Cllr Ana Fernandes has requested two litter bins in the Ferndale area. The site surveys for the two proposed locations are assessed against the Council's adopted Litter Bin Policy. The assessment considered need, siting, access for collections, and operational costs.

#### **3. Policy Criteria**

The Litter Bin Policy requires new bins are located where there is a demonstrable need and where siting is safe, accessible and operationally feasible. The survey assessed the following:

1. Suitability of location
  - Both sites provide clear pedestrian routes with no narrowing of footways; placements can be set back to maintain required clear width.
  - No adverse impact on sensitive public realm features; away from driveways and visibility splays.
2. Existing provision & ratio.
  - Adding only ONE bin improves coverage relative to local footfall and does not create an obvious over-provision in the immediate cluster (10/1000). The second bin, Bin B, is too close to other bins.
3. Accessibility & Safety
  - Vehicle approach and turning for the IDV team is available; no need for reversing into pedestrian conflict zones, good lines of sight.
  - Final placements allow wheelchair, pram and mobility-aid passage with comfortable clearance.
4. Installation practicality.
  - Standard ground anchors can be used without specialist civils; no third-party consents or parish land.

5. Bin type.
  - Recommend standard CSNPC metal street litter bin and dog waste compatible aperture (combined litter/dog waste use).
  - Colour/finish to match parish green standard for Ferndale.
6. Ongoing servicing cost.
  - Marginal crew time increase absorbed within existing round by sequencing Ferndale pass; no separate trip required.
  - No additional vehicle requirement.

Outcome is that ONE site meets the Litter Bin Policy requirements (A) with low installation risk and modest operational impact. Site (B) does not as within too close proximity to existing bins.

