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For the attention of Chris Noble – Waste Services Manager

Questions from Hyde Parish Councillors about wheelie bins, councillors would appreciate an answer to each question.

We note that assisted refuse collections will continue for residents with disability, illness or injury who have no-one living with them to help with this task; would NFDC please note that Hyde Parish has a high proportion of elderly and old residents who may not fit these criteria but nevertheless may be unsteady or physically fragile, a consideration that will not be known from the NFDC proposed property survey.

- 1) What assistance will be provided for those residents who will not be physically able to move wheelie bins from a place conveniently near the house to their gateways?
This task would involve pulling or pushing the bins over the predominantly gravel or rough drives, some of which are sloping - and then moving them back after collection of refuse?

If the wheelie bins are situated near the gates residents will have to carry bags, as they do now, but then decant refuse into the wheelie bins, possibly having to place the bag on the ground to do so while they open and close the lids, this is not a safe manoeuvre especially as this age group has a high incidence of falls. Bags would be much safer for vulnerable residents.
- 2) Will NFDC provide refuse bags, to be collected as before, for those who do not want to risk using Wheelie bins ?
- 3) Will residents have any other option to wheelie bins where they are not appropriate
- 4) If bags are permitted will NFDC invest in compostable / re-usable refuse bags?
- 5) Where wheelie bins are used will there be a requirement for residents and collection staff not to park bins on the grass verges.