

Grass Cutting – Report on Requested Amendments to 2021 Contract with Maldon District Council (MDC)

MDC does not have the facility to collect grass cuttings following a cut. Therefore, it would have to be completed manually at the costs below:

Option 1

£25.35 per hour per staff member (MDC hourly charge). Estimate of two staff members approximately 4 hours to collect and remove waste to a licensed facility for disposal, at an additional charge of £27 per tonne (this will be approximately 2 tonnes).

Total: £256.80 per cut (over and above normal charge)

Option 2

Additional cut(s) over and above the maximum number agreed in the contract while we are experiencing rapid growth. This would cost an **hourly rate of £42** per tractor and operator.

The additional cut would alleviate the need for grass collection as it would not have grown as long between cuts.

Option 3

Leave the situation as it is for 2021 and include in the grass cutting specification the need for clearance of cuttings, ready for re-tendering in the autumn for 2022. A comparison between costs for clearance versus non-clearance of cuttings can then be made which the PC can choose between for 2022.