

**BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Environment Committee**  
**Thursday 22 February 2024**  
**Decision Report**

**REVIEW SKIP ALLOCATION NUMBER PER SITE**

**Recommendations**

**The Committee RESOLVE to consider increasing the number of skips supplied to each site back to 2 skips per site per year. Each allotment site currently receives 1 per year be that an 8-yard skip (full size) or 4- yard (midi-skip)**

**At present 3 sites receive 1 x 8 yard they are Bebside, Beatrice and Wensleydale**

**3 sites receive 1 x 4 yard they are Tenth Ave, Delaval Gardens and Laverock Place**

Ward

Not Ward Specific

Risk Management

This would impact the financial budget for 2024/25 as site budgets would have to be increased by an overall total £1,395.00

Objective

To further promote the environmental, social, and economic wellbeing of the town and its community.

Report

The Committee agreed to the skip allocation being reduced to 1 skip for each site in 2020, it was also agreed at that time to stop the provision of skips to both Associations. Following a meeting with tenants from Tenth Avenue in December 2023 they asked if this could be raised with the Environment Committee to re-instate the number back to 2 skips per site as they felt 1 skip was not enough. The skips are ordered when requested by every site and at the time of writing the report Tenth Avenue are the only site who have requested a skip, and they currently receive a Midi-skip because of access issues with the site entrance being narrow.

This restricted access applies to the other two sites - Delaval Gardens and Laverock Place.

There has not been an issue with the skip allocation for Tenth Avenue site in the previous two years and the site has received 1 skip in each year. This financial year a skip was requested and was delivered to the site by the appointed contractor and it was only after this skip was uplifted that requests were received for an additional skip.

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**General Services Officer**

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