

MELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

Full Council Meeting : 28 March 2022

Item: PC161 21 Request to put an electrical appliance bin on the car park

Dear Councillors

Cllr Hales and Cllr Hart have advised me to request an agenda item for the next Melbourn Parish Council meeting on 28 March regarding the following request to place a small electrical appliance bank at the village car park to be considered.

We have successfully secured some funding to place a limited number of small electrical appliance bins across South Cambs and Cambridge City. The bins would collect items such as kettles, toaster and irons. They will be emptied weekly.

We are trying to site banks using a good geographical spread so that all our residents don't have to travel too far to place unwanted electrical items.

Melbourn looks like a very good location that would support some of the surrounding villages. The Village Car Park looks like a good place for a bin to be placed due to the space and accessibility there.

We are in the throes of purchasing the bins. I've attached a picture to give you some idea of how they will probably look. They are likely to be 1100 litre bins – so the same size as any general or recycling bins you might have at the site that collects commercial waste. They will have lockable lids and apertures appropriate for electrical items that mean that items cannot be removed. If necessary we can add posts to secure them to.

We are aiming to start first collections at the beginning of July.

We are more than happy to trial collections for a three month period if that helps to reassure the Parish that the collections are working well.

I am on leave now until Monday 4 April so grateful if any questions or queries can be directed to Rebecca Weymouth-Wood (CC in) in my absence.

Dee Wood | Waste Policy Officer

