

## STREET CLEANING IN OBAN

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### 1.0 Background

- 1.1 This briefing note confirms the operational arrangements in place for street cleansing in Oban. Through budget reduction and the Service Choices process street cleansing was reduced by 25% last financial year.

### 2.0 Details

- 2.1 At present there are three street sweepers covering Oban.
- Sweeper 1 works from Monday to Thursday 07:00 to 15:00 Friday 07:00 to 14:30. Scheduling involves first part of the day as a Patrol Sweep this involves the sweeper brushing areas that have excessive areas of litter/debris and litter picking between these areas not brushed. Time spent in Town Centre area is approximately 4 to 5 hours per day between 07:30 to 14:00. The remainder of the time is spent on litter picking round high school area.
  - Sweeper 2 works from Wednesday to Saturday 07:00 to 15:00 Sunday 07:00 to 14:30. Schedule also includes Wednesday to Friday within the town centre for period of 2 to 3 hours between 07:30 to 11:30 thereafter working in housing areas within Oban. On Saturday/Sunday 4 to 5 hours between 07:30 to 14:00 within town centre then as directed by supervisor. This may involve working outside Oban such as litter picking laybys or Ganavan. Tasks with regards sweeping/litter picking is as per sweeper 1.
  - Sweeper 3 works from Friday to Tuesday 08:00 to 16:00 Wednesday 08:00 to 15:30. Town Centre working 2 to 3 hours per day with a last visit through the town between 14:00 and 15:30. The remainder of the time spent cleaning housing areas and black spots in town as directed.
- 2.2 The hours spent within the town centre area may vary between summer and winter season, depending on demands.
- 2.3 The mechanical sweeper, the green machine, was lost in the Mill Park Depot fire last year. A like for like replacement is proving difficult to source and officers are currently in the process of procuring an alternative mechanical sweeper to use in the Oban area.