

The Square bins – report for F&GP August 2026

Background

MBC have received several complaints about the condition of the litter bins in Lenham Square, and they need to be replaced. There are five bins in total and MBC have proposed the following heritage style bins but these are twice the price of others:



[Square Cast Iron Litter Bin | 115L Heritage Street Bin](#) for £1149

MBC are asking for LPC to pay for the difference which is around £2.5K for these bins.

Alternatives

I have looked at alternatives to establish if there were any other options, these are as follows:



Glasdon metal bin for £452

Glasdon Jubilee bin similar to the current bins for ...



Single bin for £431



Double bin from Glasdon for £717

Decision required

For a conservation area, the bins proposed by MBC would be the most appropriate option. Would LPC be willing to fund the additional £2,500 required for these?

If not, MBC are likely to proceed with an alternative design, which LPC may have limited opportunity to comment on or influence.

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