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## Memorandum

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**To:** Budget Standing Committee  
**Cc:** Shelley Chemnitz, CAO  
**From:** Dan Dillon and Kristine Douglas  
**Date:** March 28, 2018  
**Subject:** Proactive Sewer Baiting – Status Update

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At the March 19, 2018 Council meeting, Councillor Britton requested a status update of the motion approved by BSC on August 24, 2017.

That the Budget Standing Committee direct staff to report on the costs, and feasibility of a Pro Active Pest Control program, in the amount of \$10,000 to be added to the 2018 budget.

The report on this matter was prepared by TES for the BSC meeting of November 8, 2017. At the November 8, 2017 BSC meeting, this report was referred back to staff for more information regarding the costing and implementation for a proactive system and the use of Niagara Falls as a comparator municipality.

A further report ([TES-B011-2018](#)) was prepared by TES for the February 21, 2018 BSC meeting. Due to time constraints of this meeting this report was referred to the March 5, 2018 Council meeting. As a result of curfew, this report ([TES-058-2018](#)) was further deferred to the March 19, 2018 Council meeting. This memo provides a status update as requested at that meeting.

Sewer baiting costs are expenditures in the water and wastewater budget. Below in Table 1 are details of these expenditure over the past five years and 2018 Budget. If the need should arise in a year, similar to the winter control program, staff will continue the program to address the issue.

**Table 1**

	2018 Budget	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Pest Control –Manholes	\$3,000	\$2,208	\$4,396	\$1,669	\$2,656	\$3,292
5 Year Avg.		\$2,844				