

**REFUSE AND RECYCLING OUTPUTS**  
**REPORT OF DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE (COMMUNITY**  
**DIRECTION)**



Hinckley & Bosworth  
Borough Council

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**WARDS AFFECTED: ALL**

1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To advise members of the performance of the Council's waste management service.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

That Scrutiny note the high performance of the service.

3. **BACKGROUND TO THE REPORT**

The Council offers the following kerbside collection service to residents in the Borough:-

Black bin (fortnightly collection) – for items which cannot be recycled

Blue lidded bin (fortnightly collection) – for items for recycling including paper, cardboard, plastics, cartons, glass, tins and cans, foils, aerosols, batteries and textiles.

Brown bin (fortnightly collection) – for green waste which can be composted

**Amounts of recycling collected in 2010/11 – 2012/13**

The Council's improved dry recycling service (blue-lidded wheeled bin) was introduced April 2012 making it easier for residents to recycle. This resulted in an increase of dry recycling materials from kerbside collections of 673 tonnes in 2012/13 which increased the Council's overall recycling performance.

	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13*
Kerbside Recycling collections	6293 Tonnes	9074 Tonnes	9747 Tonnes

*\*Subject to verification by Defra November 2013*

**Recycling comparisons with other Leicestershire Councils**

The table below gives the percentage of household waste recycled for each district council.

	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13
BDC	43.56%	44.77%	45.65%	51.35%	49.91%
CBC	41.95%	42.73%	46.10%	48.98%	48.71%
HDC	53.70%	53.27%	58.07%	61.56%	56.70%
H&BBC	48.09%	49.78%	50.59%	53.89%	55.55%
MBC	51.44%	50.05%	50.28%	49.91%	44.70%
NWLDC	43.35%	44.18%	45.73%	46.08%	46.55%
O&WBC	44.77%	44.01%	45.30%	51.09%	52.69%

HBBC now have the second highest recycling rate in Leicestershire, had the biggest increase in recycling last year and have had the second highest increase in recycling over the last 5 years.

### Waste not reused, recycled or composted

The table below compares the kilogram's of waste sent to landfill per household per district. The low amount of residual waste produced per household for HBBC correlates to the high performing kerbside recycling service.

Authority	Not recycling, reuse, composted	no of HH	KG/HH 2012/13*
Blaby DC (49.91%)	17547	39660	442.43
Charnwood BC (48.71%)	30029	70000	428.99
Harborough DC (56.70%)	14853	36510	406.82
Hinckley and Bosworth BC (55.55%)	18916	47080	401.77
Melton BC (44.70%)	10773	22300	483.08
North West Leicestershire DC (46.55%)	21171	40830	518.52
Oadby and Wigston BC (52.69%)	7960	22770	349.58

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HBBC is the second best performing Council in Leicestershire.

### What do residents think of the service?

Both Refuse and Recycling Services have achieved consistently high levels of satisfaction from public consultations undertaken.

Percentage of residents satisfied with Waste and Recycling services

Service	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13
Residual Waste Collection (Black Bin)	93%	95%	94%
Recycling Services (Brown and Blue Bin)	92%	93%	95%

### Costs of the service

The table below gives the cost per head for waste collection and recycling (CIPFA data. 2012/13 data still to be confirmed).

Cost per Head (£)	2011/12			2012/13		
	Waste collection	Recycling	Total	Waste Collection	Recycling	Total
Blaby *	14.23	1.37	15.60	11.23	1.44	12.67
Charnwood *	11.99	5.73	17.73	12.45	3.18	15.62
Harborough	9.09	14.90	23.99	9.43	15.83	25.26
Hinckley & Bosworth	11.21	7.85	19.06	9.73	6.37	16.11
Melton *	23.07	9.08	32.15	22.83	6.51	29.33
North West Leicestershire	21.90	-	21.90	20.54	-	20.54
Oadby & Wigston	10.32	8.50	18.82	10.09	8.99	19.08

\* charge for green waste collections

HBBC costs are reducing per head, and are the 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest in Leicestershire. Waste collection costs are second lowest in Leicestershire, recycling is third lowest. The authorities with lower recycling costs operate different charging policies and both charge for green waste collections.

Whilst this data provides cost information, each council offers different collection services so comparisons are not like for like.

4. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [PE]**

It should be noted that the actual costs of running this service between the two years reduced from £2.932m in 2011/12 to £2.512m in 2012/13, mainly due to savings from re-negotiating the recycling contract with Palm Recycling Ltd which resulted in a saving of £0.288m.

5. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS [EC]**

For the avoidance of doubt, Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council have a statutory duty to collect household waste and recyclable waste pursuant to sections 45 and 45A respectively of the Environmental Protection Act 1990.

Any other legal implications are contained within the body of the report.

6. **CORPORATE PLAN IMPLICATIONS**

The waste management service contributes to Aim 1 in the corporate plan: clean neighbourhoods and reducing our impact on the environment.

7. **CONSULTATION**

The recycling service was changed during 2011 – 2012 following extensive public consultation.

8. **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

It is the Council's policy to proactively identify and manage significant risks which may prevent delivery of business objectives.

It is not possible to eliminate or manage all risks all of the time and risks will remain which have not been identified. However, it is the officer's opinion based on the information available, that the significant risks associated with this decision / project have been identified, assessed and that controls are in place to manage them effectively.

The following significant risks associated with this report / decisions were identified from this assessment:

Management of significant (Net Red) Risks		
Risk Description	Mitigating actions	Owner
Loss of key contractor (recycling collection or vehicle supplier)	Annual checks on financial status of the contractors. Contingency planning to ensure services can continue]	Caroline Roffey / Darren Moore]

9. **KNOWING YOUR COMMUNITY – EQUALITY AND RURAL IMPLICATIONS**

The service is delivered as appropriate across the Borough. Assisted collections are available for residents who need help, and bags are collected where wheelie bins cannot be used.

10. **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

By submitting this report, the report author has taken the following into account:

- Community Safety implications
- Environmental implications
- ICT implications
- Asset Management implications
- Human Resources implications
- Planning Implications
- Voluntary Sector

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Background papers: None

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