

**Derry City & Strabane** 

**District Council** 

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**Derry Cittie & Stràbane** 

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Ref: EIR / 1023

31 January 2017

Ms Researcher Sky News

Email: @sky.uk

Dear Ms

## **Environmental Information Regulations 2004 Request Recycling and Plastic**

I refer to your EIR request as above and respond as follows:

1. a. Are you the local authority that is responsible for the collection of household waste for recycling/reuse/compost [henceforth referred to collectively as recycling] in your area?

1. b. If yes, please specify the percentage and weight of all waste collected in your area that was collected for recycling in the years

20,269.69 tonnes collected for recycling (31.2%) 1. b. i. 2014/15 and 1. b. ii. 2015/16? 17,118.54 tonnes collected for recycling (33.3%)

1. c. of the household waste that was collected for recycling, please specify, if known, the percentage and weight that was plastic in

1. c. i. 2014/15 1051.17 tonnes (6% of total recyclables) 1188.48 tonnes (7% of total recyclables) 1. c. ii. 2015/16

1. d. If no to 1.a., please specify the local authority that is/was responsible for collection in your area.

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2. a. Did you record how much of the waste sent for recycling was actually recycled in

- a. i. 2014/15 and
- b. ii. 2015/16 Yes

2. b. If yes, please specify the percentage and weight of the waste sent for recycling that actually ended up being recycled in

2. b. i. 2014/15 and 77% 2. b. ii. 2015/16 81%

2. c. If known, please specify the percentage and weight of plastic sent for recycling that actually ended up being recycled

2. c. i. 2014/15 and Not known 2. c. ii. 2015/16 Not known

2. c. If known, please specify the percentage and weight of waste collected for recycling that was sent to landfill/incineration in

2. c. i. 2014/15 and 23% 2. c. ii. 2015/16 19%

- 2. d. If no to 2.a., please explain why you do not monitor or enforce the reporting of your waste sent for recycling that is actually recycled. N/A
- 3. a. Was any of the material you collected for recycling sent abroad for processing in the following years and if so what percentage and weight in
- 3. a. i. 2014/15 and

3. a. ii. 2015/16? Yes

3. b. if known, please specify the percentage and weight of the waste sent abroad that was plastic

3. b. i. 2014/15 and

3. b. ii. 2015/16? Not known

3. c. i. if known, please specify the percentage and weight of recycling material that was sent abroad was actually recycled in the years

3. d. i. 2014/15

3. d. ii. 2015/16 Not known

4. Please specify the names of all subcontractors you paid to manage your recycling in any form and the value of those contracts in

4. a. 2014/15 and Brickkiln waste limited, ReGen, RecyCo and RiverRidge.

4. b. 2015/16 Annual budget provision for waste contracts = £6.5

million

5. Do you, the local authority, accept that your declared recycling rates in the years 2014/15 and 2015/16 could be an overestimate as they do not account for the material rejected by the recycling companies and/or materials recovery facility? No

If you are dissatisfied with our response you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes.

Firstly our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

John Kelpie **Chief Executive** Derry City and Strabane District Council 98 Strand Road Derry BT48 7NN Tel 028 71253253 or email john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow CHESHIRE SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: <a href="mailto:casework@ico.org.uk">casework@ico.org.uk</a>

Yours sincerely

## **Head of Environment**

