

NORTH LONDON WASTE AUTHORITY

REPORT TITLE:

JOINT WASTE STRATEGY UPDATE

REPORT OF:

HEAD OF WASTE STRATEGY AND CONTRACTS

FOR SUBMISSION TO:

AUTHORITY MEETING

DATE:

5TH APRIL 2006

SUMMARY OF REPORT:

This report updates members on progress made since the last meeting, regarding the implementation of the North London Joint Waste Strategy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Authority is recommended to:

- (i) note planning and technical officer recommendations for Boroughs to apply for further DEFRA WIP funding in October 2006 for work on the Joint Waste Development Plan Document Community Involvement Strategy;
- (ii) note the request to amend the nappy subsidy to 'the nearest pound' in future years;
- (iii) note the importance of continued public engagement and communication activities and approve the submission of a partnership bid for funding from WRAP for further promotional activity with the detail to be agreed by the Head of Waste Strategy and Contracts in consultation with the Chair.

**Signed by Head of Waste Strategy
and Contracts**

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Date:

1. BACKGROUND AND MAYORAL REVIEW

- 1.1 The 'Mayor's Draft' North London Joint Waste Strategy (NLJWS) September 2004, provides the framework for progress towards reducing, re-using and recovering a greater proportion of the municipal waste which is generated in the North London Waste Authority (The Authority) area and reducing the amount which is sent for disposal to landfill.
- 1.2 The Authority and its Partners have undertaken a Best Practicable Environmental Option analysis for North London. The preferred option involves working in partnership as local authorities and with local communities to provide the services and facilities required to make the improvements needed. The preferred option involves action and investment in waste minimisation, recycling and composting and recovering energy from waste.
- 1.3 In terms of the London Mayoral review of the Strategy, the London Borough of Barnet wrote to the Mayor in December 2005, asking him to proceed to give the Strategy due consideration. This was in view of the fact that the outstanding issue of a tonnage based levy, which was considered by the London Borough of Barnet to be an essential element of a meaningful strategy, will be implemented from 1st April 2006. In response, the Mayor has requested clarification from the London Borough of Barnet about its precise level of approval of the NLJWS. It is expected that this clarification and confirmation will have been given by the time of the Authority Meeting, and then the NLJWS will be formally considered by the Mayor.
- 1.4 Prior to any Mayoral amendments and in the meantime however, the Partner Authorities have agreed to implement the actions contained in the 'Mayor's Draft' NLJWS. The following report outlines progress on the same and is organised according to the relevant chapters in the NLJWS – chapters three to eight.

2.0 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Review of England's Waste Strategy

- 2.1 The Government's consultation on the review of England's Waste Strategy has been published. A separate Authority paper outlines the key issues arising from the same and main points and principles to be made in the Authority response. Key proposals include suggested new national statutory household waste recycling and composting targets and revised municipal waste recovery targets as outlined in the table below. Both sets of targets are higher than those in place at present and would require further investment of resources in composting, recycling and recovery in North London in order to achieve them. This would probably have financial implications for both the Authority and the Constituent Borough Councils.

These are set out in the table below, along with the targets in the NLJWS for comparison.

PAST & PROPOSED RECYCLING & RECOVERY TARGETS FOR HOUSEHOLD & MUNICIPAL WASTE						
	Household Recycling & Composting			Municipal Waste Recovery*		
	2010	2015	2020	2010	2015	2020
Waste Strategy 2000	30%	33%	-	45%	67%	-
Waste Not Want Not	35%	45%	45%	LATS	LATS	LATS
NLJWS:	35%	45%	45%	LATS	LATS	LATS
Proposed New National	40%	45%	50%	53%	67%	75%
Proposed New Minimum	25%	30%	-	-	-	-

*Recovery includes recycling, composting and energy recovery.

- 2.2 There is, however, an alternative proposal to setting minimum performance standards per authority, which is to make special arrangements in two-tier county areas with jointly agreed targets between the different tiers, but no indication is given in the consultation document regarding what these jointly agreed targets might be.

Default Levying Arrangements

- 2.3 In addition to the above, the Government has confirmed the move to a tonnage based levy as the default mechanism by which the Constituent Boroughs pay for most of the Authority's services. The new system is to be phased in over a three year period from 1st April 2006 and the necessary legislation has been laid before Parliament to enact the same. Legislation that removes the Authority's statutory duty to pay recycling credits from 1st April 2006 has also been laid before Parliament. As a consequence the Authority has introduced a local recycling credit scheme that will be phased out as the Authority moves to a tonnage-based levy over the three years. The tonnage based levy will provide its own incentive for Partner Authorities to minimise, recycle and compost without the need to make additional payments.
- 2.4 It is too early to anticipate the detailed impact of these changes upon the strategy implementation process but in general terms it can be anticipated that the incentive to increase the amount of recycling and composting activity in the Constituent Borough Councils and for the Authority to provide the necessary infrastructure to facilitate this will increase.

Joint Waste Development Plan Document

- 2.5 The Constituent Borough Councils continue to work together to prepare a Joint Waste Development Plan Document (JWDPD) for North London. This will create the shared land-use planning framework for all wastes (municipal, commercial and industrial) in North London into the future.

- 2.6 An Acting Programme Manager has been seconded by the London Borough of Camden as the lead Borough to take this work forward on behalf of all seven boroughs until a permanent post-holder is recruited.
- 2.7 As reported in previous meetings, the North London planners felt that they could not commence the work on the JWDPD without first knowing the scope and implications in some detail. Consequently they bid (successfully) for money from DEFRA's Waste Implementation Programme (WIP), and commissioned pieces of work from consultants to assist them.
- 2.8 The consultants' work is now completed and provides advice on the potential detailed scope of a Joint Waste Development Plan Document (JWDPD) and accompanying Community Involvement Strategy (CIS), the timescales over which it might be developed, the key decisions and the amount of officer time likely to be needed along with a contract specification for the actual work of assisting waste planners to employ consultants to take the matter forward.
- 2.9 The consultants' work also covers the linkages of a JWDPD to Borough Local Development Schemes, Core Strategies, Statements of Community Involvement, Local Development Frameworks and any relevant Local Development Documents contained therein, along with the questions of financial and officer resources mentioned above.
- 2.10 All boroughs have committed the necessary financial resources to take the work forward, although aspects of the Community Involvement Strategy as outlined in the initial consultancy report have not been budgeted. The Acting Programme Manager will now be responsible for tendering and letting the consultancy contract(s) to deliver the work. It is anticipated that this work will be awarded by the end of the summer.
- 2.11 The Acting Programme Manager gave a presentation on the JWDPD to the Strategy Implementation Board on 20th March explaining the arrangements for progressing it). This includes a Memorandum of Understanding between the boroughs and a Planning Members Group that would meet at key stages of the JWDPD. Members were reminded of the need for their Borough to ratify the Memorandum of Understanding that sets ground rules for the Boroughs in carrying forward the JWDPD. Strategy Implementation Board Members suggested that the Planning Members Group be constituted of cabinet members with planning responsibility and that this group meet separately from the Strategy Implementation Board because the JWDPD is being progressed by the boroughs as planning authorities. The NLWA is a key stakeholder in the plan but the planning authorities also need to consider the views of other stakeholders such as residents and businesses in their area.

- 2.12 In addition to the above, Borough officers (both waste technical officers and planners) are recommending a further application for WIP funding in October 2006 for further consultancy support to help implement the unbudgeted aspects of the Community Involvement Strategy. The 2006 consultancy support available from WIP is only available to partnership bids and given both the importance of this work and the partners' track record in joint waste planning (one of four eligible areas for financial assistance from WIP), additional support to help deliver on the existing consultants' recommendations would be most useful. It will be the responsibility of the Programme Manager to develop the application for this.
- 2.13 Planning delays and/or refusals could significantly impact upon the ability of the Authority and its Constituent Boroughs to deliver on the targets in the NLJWS so the importance of this work cannot be underestimated. Support and advice has been given by Authority officers to Borough planning officers throughout this project.
- 2.14 In addition to the above, the Authority's Head of Waste Strategy and Contracts and the Principal Policy Officer also took part in a study tour to Canada organised by the Greater London Authority (GLA) and DEFRA's 'New Technologies Programme' whilst a planning application is pending for such a facility in East London. The two day visit focussed on the process of gasification and included a visit to a gasification facility and accompanying lectures and question and answer sessions about the process. Gasification involves combustion of pre-treated waste or 'solid recovered fuel' in an oxygen poor atmosphere. The solid recovered fuel or 'SRF' is made up of residual waste which has been pre-treated via a mechanical biological treatment (MBT) plant. Through the gasification process the SRF is used to produce a synthetic gas, which is cleaned and then used to generate electricity. Gasification is being considered as a potentially usefull alternative to energy-from-waste incineration.
- 2.15 Authority officers will continue to keep appraised of new technologies and continue to liaise with Borough waste and planning officers in order to keep Authority Members informed of progress. Borough officers will keep Borough Executive Members informed.

3.0 WASTE HIERARCHY OPTIONS

Waste Prevention and Reduction

Since the last meeting:

- 3.1 A Strategy Implementation Board (SIB) meeting has taken place as mentioned above, (further detail is provided in paragraph 7.11). This meeting focussed upon the role of waste prevention within the NLJWS, the priorities for action and responsibilities for the same.

- 3.2 As a result of the meeting it has been agreed that a waste prevention plan will be produced for Member approval at the Authority meeting in June.
- 3.3 The reusable nappy subsidy of £54.15 approved at the last Authority meeting has been communicated to the cross-borough officer working group and nappy laundering companies with whom the Authority has an agreement to pay the subsidy. Both groups have requested that the subsidy be rounded to the nearest pound to make administration as easy as possible. This request is noted and will accordingly be actioned for future subsidy reviews, rather than reduce the subsidy already approved for 2006/07.

North London Integrated Compost Project

In-vessel composting facility

- 3.4 The official opening of the Compost Centre at the LondonWaste EcoPark took place on Thursday 9th March. The Centre was officially opened by Ben Bradshaw MP, Minister for Local Environmental Quality. The Minister was accompanied by TV recycling celebrity Penney Poyzer, presenter of the BBC 2 television show 'No Waste Like Home'. Andy Love MP, the constituency MP for Edmonton, was also present. A copy of the accompanying press release is attached in Appendix 1. The event was featured in the following media:

- BBC online, local television news programme '*London Tonight*'
- trade press and online media: *letsrecycle.com* (two features), *Resource Management and Recovery*, and *Recycling and Waste World*
- Local press coverage: two pieces each in the Enfield Independent and the Enfield Advertiser and one piece in the Walthamstow Guardian

A further article is also to be written for *Composting News* the membership magazine of the Composting Association.

- 3.5 All the necessary tests have now been carried out on the resultant product from the Compost Centre. The compost meets the BSI Publicly Available Standard (PAS) 100 and has been confirmed as suitable for 'general landscaping purposes' in accordance with guidance provided on the WRAP website for composted organic waste. At the current time, the compost is not suitable for mulching or to be used as potting compost.
- 3.6 Given the quality confirmation of the product, officers are now developing some written usage guidance and will then be marketing the product to the green spaces and parks departments within the Constituent Borough Councils. Small early quantities have already been given.
- 3.7 As an incentive to locally 'closing the loop', the product will be free of charge to Constituent Borough Councils able to collect the material from LondonWaste Ltd.

Home and Community composting

- 3.8 The final amounts of funding for community composting support have now been allocated to community groups via London CRN and the publication of a booklet by the same, which promotes community composting in North London is anticipated shortly. A copy will be sent to all Authority Members.
- 3.9 Ongoing support for community and home composting across North London is currently being discussed by the Authority and London CRN. Constituent Borough Councils have already discussed their 'own' home composting support package and funding with London CRN for 2006/2007 which varies from borough to borough in line with local needs. Given the Borough support for home composting within their own area, it is proposed by London CRN that the Authority's ongoing support be focussed upon community composting. This includes a further community composting grant support fund of a similar level to that which was provided by the London Recycling Fund in 2005/2006 of £25,0000. Full details of a 2006/06 community composting support fund will be provided at the next Authority meeting.

4.0 MANAGEMENT OF OTHER WASTE STREAMS

- 4.1 Consultation on the English Waste Strategy being carried out by DEFRA includes information and proposals for commercial and industrial waste. A review is also underway by the Greater London Authority (GLA), which will inform the development of a 'wider waste' strategy for London, the timetable for consultation with the Assembly on which is anticipated to be autumn 2006. The Authority will engage in both the above consultations which will form the framework within which the management of wider waste streams are managed across North London.

5.0 IDENTIFYING THE BEST PRACTICABLE ENVIRONMENTAL OPTION FOR NORTH LONDON

Waste Data

- 5.1 In order to properly plan facilities for the future, the constituent borough councils agreed to develop appropriate modelling to predict likely tonnages of material between 2005 and 2020 (the period of the NLJWS). This data is needed for procurement and waste planning purposes, including financial planning and resources and the need to manage within the Authority's allocation of Landfill Allowances over this period. It is also required so that the Authority has accurate predictions regarding the presentation of recyclable material, i.e. what proportion will be delivered from kerbside separated recycling schemes and what percentage will arrive commingled. The environmental consultancy firm AEA Technology plc was commissioned, as approved at the Authority meeting on 7th December 2005, to assist borough officers in preparing these predictions. An interim report has been completed, but it shows a gap between the projections used in current plans and the NLJWS targets.

5.2 Further analysis and work is therefore required. Progress on this will be reported at the next Authority meeting.

6.0 IMPLEMENTING THE BEST PRACTICABLE ENVIRONMENTAL OPTION FOR NORTH LONDON

Update on the Hornsey Street Redevelopment.

6.1 The process of resolving the disputed items and outstanding snags at the Hornsey Street Waste Transfer Station remains ongoing. The intended timescale for resolving this issue was a period of one year from the date of practical completion. The intention was that any outstanding snags or disputed items would be resolved by July 2005, however there are still a large number of outstanding and disputed issues around the design and construction of the facility.

6.2 The arbitration process to resolve disputed items involving the appointed Independent Engineer (IE) is on-going and the end-users (London Borough of Islington, ICSL, NLWA and LondonWaste Ltd.) and the designers and construction engineers (AYH and SRM) are providing assistance to the IE to enable him to rule on disputed items. Progress towards completing the facility and resolving disputes remains protracted and has taken considerably longer than first anticipated. However, the IE is making decisions and the number of unresolved disputed items is falling.

6.3 It was previously reported that on 9th December 2005 there were 169 agreed snags and disputed items ranging from minor points considered to be poor workmanship to significant design flaws. This number has now reduced to 125 items that are either disputed or are yet to be corrected by the contractor.

6.4 Included in the 125 items above, officers have identified four design issues that are disputed by SRM and are seeking remedial action to rectify the problems. The London Borough of Islington has a separate but similar list with a few shared items on both lists. The vast majority of outstanding items have been resolved through the process with the IE but not all have yet been corrected by SRM.

6.5 The four most significant issues affecting the Authority at the Hornsey Street facility remain:

1. Fire detection system, where the IE has upheld our concerns and is requiring SRM to redesign and reinstall
2. Lighting levels in the tipping hall, where the IE has also upheld our concerns and is requiring SRM to redesign and reinstall
3. Air handling system, where the IE has not yet ruled
4. Design of the compactors and chutes, where the IE has not yet ruled either

Officers are continuing to pursue these matters through the route prescribed in the contract with Ashburton Properties Ltd.

Transport Implications – Rail Transfer

- 6.6 The Authority's Hendon Rail Transfer Station is within the Cricklewood and Brent Cross Regeneration Area. The London Borough of Barnet and the development organisations involved in the regeneration are proposing to relocate the Authority's rail transfer station to a new, purpose-built waste facility elsewhere within the regeneration area. A meeting has taken place with the development agencies to consider the various options available, but this meeting has only identified further work to be done. The developer's proposals are expected to be forthcoming in the near future, and a report will then be prepared for consideration by Members.

7.0 WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP TO DELIVER THE STRATEGY

A Public Awareness and Participation Campaign

- 7.1 The Partner Authorities recognised in the NLJWS that engaging the public effectively to take action will be crucial for the achievement of the Strategy and accordingly committed to an on-going public awareness campaign throughout the period of the Strategy and to undertake to coordinate their respective contributions to this campaign where this will be beneficial.
- 7.2 The Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP) has recently announced a new round of funding for local authorities for communication and awareness raising activity. Once the formal notification of the funding criteria is issued in April the intention is to apply jointly for support for some pan-North London awareness activity. This is likely to be a bid which supports continued promotion of kerbside recycling and organic waste collections, potentially targeted at residents for whom English is not their first language. The bid is likely to be between £80,000 and £250,000 in value.
- 7.3 Members are asked to note the importance of continued public engagement and communication activities as outlined in the NLJWS and as a means by which increased participation in recycling and composting activities can be realised. Secondly, Members are asked to approve the submission of a partnership bid for funding from WRAP for further promotional activity with the detail to be agreed by the Head of Waste Strategy and Contracts in consultation with the Chair. Any bid would either include some financial support from the existing 'other recycling initiatives' budget or would be for a fully funded project, i.e. at no cost to the Authority other than staff time.

A Key Role for the Community Sector

- 7.4 The NLJWS also recognises ‘the unique role that community sector organisations play through their distinct relationship with other stakeholders, their ability to work across disciplines to create truly sustainable projects with social as well as environmental benefits and through their specialist knowledge in subjects where local authorities often have little knowledge or specialism.’
- 7.5 Although the Authority does not have a specific social and/or regeneration remit, the partners recognise the potential role of the community sector and specifically make a commitment in the NLJWS to ‘actively encourage community sector involvement in delivery of waste services wherever this can be demonstrated to offer Best Value.’
- 7.6 As previously reported officers have started work on developing proposals for further consideration for a local Compact between the Authority and the voluntary and community sector, the VCS, or ‘third sector’. Authority officers are already engaging with similar borough-level work to help ensure a consistent and complementary approach.

Commercial and Industrial Partners - Bulking of Dry Recyclable Wastes

- 7.7 Several Constituent Borough Councils have expressed an interest in transferring to the Authority their arrangements with LondonWaste Ltd (LWL) for the receipt, bulking and transportation of commingled dry recyclables to third party materials reclamation facilities (MRFs).
- 7.8 The benefit to the Authority is that it will start to have under its control the feedstock for the first local MRF (rather than this being controlled by separate contracts within its boroughs). Approval in principle to procure this was given by the Authority in April 2005. It also means however that the Authority will take on (indirectly through LWL) the task and risk of securing appropriate MRF capacity elsewhere.

North London Recycling Forum

- 7.9 The next meeting of the North London Recycling Forum is scheduled for the afternoon and early evening of the 31st July. The main afternoon meeting and associated workshops will take place in the committee rooms at the City Hall with early evening drinks in the ‘Mayor’s Living Room’ at the top of the building. The subject for the next Forum meeting is green innovation.

Strategy Implementation Board

- 7.10 A Strategy Implementation Board meeting took place on 20th March. The agenda included:
- An update on progress on the NLJWS
 - A facilitated discussion about waste prevention, as previously mentioned

- A review of facility needs based upon the residual and recyclable tonnage projections recently prepared by AEA Technology plc. that highlighted the risks to the Authority and its Constituent Borough Councils in delaying decisions relating to collection systems and corresponding facility needs
- A presentation and discussion about the JWDPD process and specifically about Member involvement and the interface between a potential new Planning Member Group and the existing Strategy Implementation Board, as previously mentioned
- An update from the London Borough of Hackney regarding a waste by water trial.

7.11 It had been hoped that the London Mayor might have reviewed the NLJWS in time for the meeting, but as this review has not yet taken place, for the reasons outlined in paragraph 1.3, a further Strategy Implementation Board meeting will be scheduled to take place once the Mayoral review of the NLJWS has been undertaken. Further Strategy Implementation Board meetings are to be provisionally diarised for once every six months, but will take place only when decisions on strategy progress are required.

8.0 COMMENTS OF THE FINANCIAL ADVISER

The Financial Adviser has been consulted and his comments have been incorporated into this report at the appropriate points.

9.0 COMMENTS OF THE LEGAL ADVISER

9.1 The Legal Adviser has been consulted and her comments are incorporated within this report.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 The Authority is recommended to:

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Local Government Act 1972 – Access to information

Documents used: North London Joint Waste Strategy, Mayor's Draft, September 2004

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APPENDIX 1.



EMBARGOED UNTIL 6.00 am THURSDAY 9 MARCH 2006

MINISTER WASTES NO TIME OPENING LARGEST NORTH LONDON COMPOSTING CENTRE

In the first of two activities today¹ celebrating recycling and composting in North London, Ben Bradshaw MP, Minister for Local Environmental Quality officially opened North London's largest composting centre.

Mr Bradshaw was also joined at the Compost Centre opening by TV recycling celebrity Penney Poyzer, presenter of BBC 2 show 'No Waste Like Home', as well as by local councillors, recycling and composting experts and representatives from community organisations from across North London.

The Compost Centre, which is located at LondonWaste's EcoPark in Edmonton, cost approximately £5 million to build and covers 2.5 acres

The cost of the new state-of-the art centre was covered by £3.5 million provided by LondonWaste and £1.7 million of government funding. The government support was provided by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) through the London Recycling Fund, a fund which was specifically established to help encourage waste minimisation and to improve recycling and composting services in London.

In total, the London Recycling Fund has provided £4 million to expand composting services in North London. As well as part funding the Compost Centre, the £4 million grant, the largest single grant awarded by the Fund, is being used to buy additional vehicles to collect the food and garden waste from peoples' homes and for household

¹ The second event is the 'Better Haringey Rewards Recyclers' awards – for more information contact Graham Copp on tel: 020 8489 2980 .

compost collection 'bins'. Some of the money is also being used for community composting projects and training.

Designed and built to process green garden and kitchen waste from householders in North London the EcoPark Compost Centre can handle 30,000 tonnes of material each year. Once processed, the compost is suitable for a wide variety of landscaping uses and will be used locally by borough parks departments and by other users.

The compost is made by placing the collected kitchen and garden waste in tunnels for 21 days during which time it heats up naturally as the material decays. Each batch of material must reach a temperature of 60 degrees Celsius for two consecutive days. The material is then moved to further tunnels where the process is repeated to ensure that the process is complete. Finally the material is left to rest and is sieved so that it is ready to use.

Speaking at the opening of the Centre, Local Environment Minister, Ben Bradshaw said: "Food and garden waste can create enormous environmental headaches. It forms a large chunk of our household waste and when sent to landfill it creates methane, a greenhouse gas over 20 times more powerful than carbon dioxide. It is also a waste of valuable resources.

"Therefore I'm delighted to see Government funding forming the starting block for a new strategic facility supported by both the surrounding boroughs and the community sector. The Centre is an excellent demonstration of partnership working from funding through to operation and use of the final product.

"I'd like to congratulate all the partners involved in the development, funding and delivery of the project and it is excellent to hear that the resulting product will also be put to such good use."

Andrew Lappage, Head of Waste Strategy and Contracts at North London Waste Authority said that, "The Centre is a crucial part of the North London Joint Waste Strategy commitment to increase composting and recycling and to work together to plan, develop and deliver the facilities required; we are pleased to see it operating and full."

David Sargent, Managing Director of LondonWaste EcoPark commented:

“By separating out garden and kitchen waste to be collected for the EcoPark Compost Centre, residents in North London are doing their bit to help the environment. That is what our EcoPark is all about.”

The Compost Centre is currently being used by the boroughs of Barnet, Hackney, Haringey, Islington, and Waltham Forest.

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Notes to Editors

The North London Waste Authority (NLWA)

The North London Waste Authority (NLWA) was established in 1986 as a statutory waste disposal authority. It is responsible for arranging the disposal of municipal waste from seven North London boroughs – Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Hackney, Haringey, Islington and Waltham Forest.

Together these partners aim to achieve 45% recycling and composting rates by 2015.

LondonWaste Ltd

LondonWaste is an integrated waste management company offering a range of services from recycling right through to secure disposal and landfill. It is a public private partnership, owned equally by North London Waste Authority and the waste management company SITA UK. These organisations bring a wealth of knowledge and experience in handling waste efficiently, effectively and in a responsible way.

LondonWaste’s EcoPark is set on a 40 acre site in Edmonton, and houses recycling, composting and energy-from-waste services.

The London Recycling Fund

The London Recycling Fund is a £50 million fund which is designed to help Londoners recycle and compost more by investing money in improving waste minimisation, recycling and composting services across London. The Fund operates through a joint initiative between the Mayor of London, the Greater London Authority (GLA), the Association of London Government (ALG) and London Waste Action.

The £4 million donated by the London Recycling Fund to North London, was awarded to the 'Integrated Compost Project', an integrated programme of composting services provided by a partnership between the London Community Recycling Network, North London Waste Authority and its constituent boroughs and LondonWaste.

Further enquiries and/or requests for further technical information about the Compost Centre and process should be made to: Wendy Lord, LondonWaste EcoPark 020 8884 5525

Report Ends