

Title of Report:	Waste Data Return April to June 2023 (Provisional)
Committee Report Submitted To:	Environmental Services Committee
Date of Meeting:	14th November 2023
For Decision or For Information	For Information
To be discussed In Committee YES/NO	No

Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25)	
Strategic Theme	Climate Change and our Environment
Outcome	Increasing proportion of domestic and commercial waste recycled
Lead Officer	Head of Operations

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	N/A
Included in Current Year Estimates	N/A
Capital/Revenue	N/A
Code	N/A
Staffing Costs	N/A

Legal Considerations	
Input of Legal Services Required	NO
Legal Opinion Obtained	NO

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Members on the publication of provisional waste statistics on 26th October 2023 by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) for the April to June 2023 reporting period.

2.0 Background

2.1 DAERA produce quarterly provisional Northern Ireland local authority collected municipal waste management statistics between April and March each year.

2.2 The publication provides information on local authority collected municipal waste from household and non-household sources and recycling and landfill rates.

2.3 In November each year, notwithstanding any delays, the Department produces a validated report for the proceeding April to March 12 month reporting period.

3.0 Information

3.1 Provisional statistics for recycling performance in the April to June 2023 reporting period as follows.

3.2 Household waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting was 53.3%. The Northern Ireland average was 53.8%. Council ranked 7th for reporting period.

3.3 Household waste dry recycling rate was 21.1%. The NI average was 21.6%. Council ranked 7th for reporting period.

Household waste composting rate was 31.8%. The NI average was 31.9%. Council ranked 7th for reporting period.

3.4 Municipal waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting was 52.2%. The Northern Ireland average was 53.6%. Council ranked 8th for reporting period.

3.5 Waste from households (WfH) preparing for reuse and recycling including composting was 51.6%. The Northern Ireland average was 53.2%. Council ranked 7th for reporting period.

3.6 There is a statutory requirement on UK Local Authorities to achieve a Waste from Households (WfH) recycling rate of 50%. The WfH recycling rate is a harmonised indicator across the four UK countries.

4.0 **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Environmental Services Committee note the provisional recycling statistics for April to June 2023 reporting period published by DAERA.