

Ref: FOI / 6301

16 April 2026

Email:

Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 Request Dry Recyclable Materials

I refer to your FOI request and respond as follows:

1. Do you currently operate a segregated or commingled kerbside collection service for dry recyclable materials?
 - Comingled kerbside collection service.
2. Do you have a policy or directive that specifies that all your kerbside-collected dry recycling materials should be recycled in the UK?
 - No.
 - a. Please specify if there are different policies for different materials.
 - N/A
3. For aluminium specifically,
 1. Who sorts and recycles your aluminum for you?
 - Comingled material is collected from transfer stations and taken to a Materials Recovery Facility.
 2. If outsourced, please specify the company or organisation?
 - Derry and Strabane District Council are currently in a tender agreement with RecyCo Waste.
 3. Is your aluminium recycled in the UK?

- Yes

1. How much annual income do you derive from the sale of recycled aluminium?

- None

2. Does this income subsidise, or make a substantial contribution to, the cost of your whole recycling programme?

- N/A

3. What would be the impact to your overall recycling programme if you lost your entire aluminium recycling income?

- N/A

4. Would you have to increase your Council Tax to compensate for such a loss?

- N/A

4. Are you a member of any local authority waste management partnership?

1. If so, which one?

- Local Authority

2. Does it operate its own Materials Recovery Facility?

- No

3. Does it have a policy or directive to ensure that aluminium is recycled in the UK?

- 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: casework@ico.org.uk

I would advise however, the Information Commissioner has indicated that a review will not be undertaken unless the Council has first had an opportunity to re-consider its decision.

Yours sincerely

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