

Dear

I am writing to you in reply to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to Nottinghamshire County Council. I have the following information.

1. (a) How much recycling waste has been collected as a percentage (and if possible, by weight) of all waste in each of the following years: 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019?

For the following financial years, the total amounts of collected Household Waste for recycling and composting from our constituent districts and recycling centres, in tonnes, were:

2014/15: 158,940t, 42.48%

2015/16: 163,155t, 43.76%

2016/17: 172,360t, 45.42%

2017/18: 167,471t, 44.95%

2018/19: 165,579t, 44.36%

1. (b) Of the total recycled waste received each year specified in 1 (a), please provide how much of that is successfully recycled as a percentage (and if possible, by weight)?

For the following financial years, the Authority recycled and composted the following amounts of Household Waste (Waste Data Flow Indicator NI192);

2014/15: 157,552t, 42.8%

2015/16: 159,071t, 42.5%

2016/17: 167.799t, 44.2%

2017/18: 163.238t, 43.7%

2018/19: 161,848t, 43.2%

2. Please provide the total weight and percentage of recyclable waste by these categories (a)-(g) in each of the following years: 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019:

(a) Mixed recycling

(b) Glass

(c) Plastics

(d) Aluminium

(e) Paper and cardboard

(f) food waste

(g) garden refuse

Category	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Mixed recycling	52,257	52,923	52,841	50,525	47,778
Glass	13,403	14,054	14,292	13,825	14,864
Plastics	126	156	15	72	24
Aluminium	-	-	-	-	-
Paper and cardboard	3,548	3,657	3,601	2,455	3,427
Food waste	-	-	-	-	-
Garden refuse	58,910	59,275	67,508	65,732	63,687

Please note:

We have not provided percentages as it is not clear what the requestor wants the tonnages as a percentage of; i.e. total collected Household Waste, total collected recyclables or other.

Plastics are just plastic bottles.

Aluminium cans are in the Mixed Recycling.

None of our district councils collect food waste.

3. Please provide where and how all non-recyclable waste is disposed.

Non-recyclable waste is disposed of as follows:

Around 60,000 tonnes per year goes to the Veolia Sheffield Energy Recover Facility;
Around 65,000 tonnes is processed into Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF) and is sent to EEW Energy from Waste in Germany;
Around 70,000 tonnes go to FCC Eastcroft Nottingham Energy From Waste plant in Nottingham.

The remaining waste (around 18,000 tonnes per annum) is disposed of through RDF via a number of various facilities sourced by Veolia or may be sent to landfill although only around 5% goes via this route and mainly consists of waste that is not suitable for being processed into RDF.

If you have any queries or concerns then please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottscc.gov.uk.

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