

From: FOI
To: [REDACTED]
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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request for information about waste plastic exported by Nottinghamshire County Council. You asked:

How much waste plastic was exported by your council in 2019, and which country/ies was this sent to? (please break down by percentage if more than one destination. Please state 'unknown destination' if this is the case.)

We are now able to provide the following information in response to your request:

Nottinghamshire County Council has not exported any materials directly.

All borough and district councils within Nottinghamshire collect mixed dry recyclables (paper, card, metal cans, plastic bottles, margarine tubs and yogurt pots) and deliver them to the Mansfield Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) operated by Veolia for sorting into separate recycling streams.

Unfortunately, we are not able to provide percentages and tonnages of recyclables collected from Nottinghamshire household bins that was sent for recycling as all recyclables are collected mixed as above and are delivered to the MRF. Last year 46,053 tonnes of mixed dry recyclables were delivered to the MRF from household bins in Nottinghamshire. In addition, a number of other authorities and companies recyclables are also sorted at the MRF and the mixed recyclables are only split into separate materials post-sort, consequently we can only provide figures based on outputs of the facility.

Last year all 7,028 tonnes of plastics sorted at the MRF was sent to the Veolia Rainham (UK) Plastic Recovery Facility along with a large amount of plastics from other UK MRFs.

Once the plastics were reprocessed at Rainham the single stream plastics were sent to the following countries;

PP – UK or Netherlands

Natural HDPE – UK

Colour HDPE – UK

Colour PET – Romania

Natural PET – UK and Netherlands.

I hope that you find this information to be helpful, however if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, then please email us at foi@nottsc.gov.uk quoting the

reference NCC-046238-20 and we will be happy to review your request

With kind regards

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