

NCC-051724-21 Recycling - climate emergency

Dear Requester,

Further to your request for information under The Freedom of Information Act, please see below.

We trust this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below. In addition to this and for future reference Nottingham County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR, s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link)

<http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>

You can use the search facility using keywords.

If you wish to raise any concerns about the way your request was dealt with, then please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottsc.gov.uk quoting the reference number above.

Kind Regards
Complaints, Information & Mediation Officer.
Complaints and Information Team

28 July 2021

Dear recycling team

I am doing research and collecting data on recycling in the United Kingdom over the last 10 years and hope you can send me information graphs and charts that show the progress made? Here is the link to Waste Data Flow which holds all UK local authorities waste data and statistics for the last 10 years. You can apply for access to the system and they will give you appropriate access. www.wastedataflow.org

What plans are being undertaken to address the climate emergency? What is working well? Please see the attached previous FOI request which provides this information also available on public disclosure log – NCC-049880-21.

What future do you hope to initiate to increase recycling?
The Government published the Resources and Waste Strategy for England in December 2018 which sets out a roadmap towards increasing recycling rates across England. There have since been 2 consultations on the proposals included within that Strategy and the Environment Bill (intended to bring these plans into law) has started its route through Parliament. Any improvements or changes to the current recycling service in Nottinghamshire will be made in line with the Resources and Waste Strategy to ensure consistency with the new national strategy and any relevant legislation. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/resources-and-waste-strategy-for-england>

Are there any grants for schools and community projects?
The Reduce, Reuse, Recycling Fund is community fund run by our partners Veolia. Grants of up to £1000 are available for projects which help Nottinghamshire to Reduce, Reuse or Recycle.

<https://www.veolia.co.uk/nottinghamshire/community/reduce-reuse-recycling-fund>

What schemes do you encourage or endorse to lower our carbon footprint, reduce landfill, and develop sustainability?

The County Council currently send's less than 5% of waste to landfill for disposal. The proposals within the Resources & Waste Strategy should also help this. Included within the Resources and Waste Strategy are proposals to mandate weekly food waste collections, free garden waste collections and other recycling initiatives.

The County Council supports and promotes initiatives that adhere with the waste hierarchy (National recycle week, textile reuse, Love Food Hate Waste - food waste reduction, home composting) through communications and providing residents with educational material and information.

Do you operate a scrape store scheme?

No. But we do operate a Community Repaint Scheme on 4 of our Recycling Centre sites.

<https://www.veolia.co.uk/nottinghamshire/Paint>

Hope you can assist me and maybe also recommend additional sites and contacts.

Yours faithfully