

Response to Request for Information

Reference EIR 000099
Date 6 December 2016

Recycling Centres

Request:

Thank you for your request for information about the above. We are dealing with your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 rather than Freedom of Information. In response to your request please find our response below:

1. What charging increases have been introduced for householders and on what type of waste between November 2015 and December 2016?
The following costs show how the costs for householders have been increased

Apr 2015 – Mar 2016

- * Bulky = £22.19 for up to 5 items
- * White goods = £23.04 per item
- * Asbestos = £74.48 for 10 bags

Apr 2016 – Mar 2017

- * Bulky = £25 for up to 5 items
- * White goods = £23.04 per item
- * Asbestos = £77 for 10 bags

2. What charging increases or restrictions have been introduced for commercial customers (businesses) and on what types of waste between November 2015 and December 2016? All commercial waste is managed by the council's contractor Amey.
3. How many recycling centres and tips have been closed between November 2015 and December 2016? None
4. Have opening hours of any recycling centres and council tips changed between November 2015 and December 2016? Yes
5. How many hours per week, on average, were recycling centres and council tips open in your council area between November 2015 and December 2016? What were those usual opening hours? The 2 sites within Wolverhampton were open on average either 37 hours per week (Anchor Lane) and 34 hours per week (Shaw Rd), and these total hours have not changed over the past 2 years.

Anchor Lane	Shaw Road
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April - Sept	Oct - Mar	April - Sept	Oct - Mar
37 hours	37 hours	34 hours	34 hours

The current opening hours can be found on the council's website at:
www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/rubbishtips

6. How many hours per week, on average, were recycling centres and council tips open in your council area between November 2014 and December 2015? What were those usual opening hours? [The 2 sites within Wolverhampton were open on average either 37 hours per week \(Anchor Lane\) and 34 hours per week \(Shaw Rd\), and these total hours have not changed over the past 2 years.](#)
7. Did you charge for the collection of garden waste between November 2015 and December 2016? If so, how much? [No](#)
8. Did you charge for the collection of bulky waste between November 2015 and December 2016? If so, how much?
[Chargeable waste:](#)

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[Apr 2016 – Mar 2017](#)
[* Bulky = £25 for up to 5 items](#)
9. What waste did you charge for and how much was the charge before November 2015?
[Chargeable waste:](#)

[Apr 2015 – Mar 2016](#)
[* Bulky = £22.19 for up to 5 items](#)
[* White goods = £23.04 per item](#)
[* Asbestos = £74.48 for 10 bags](#)
10. How many incidents of flytipping have been reported to the council between November 2015 and December 2016? [6359 Flytipping reports were received during this period.](#)
11. How many on the spot fines have been issued for flytipping since the new powers were given in May 2016 to December 2016? [8 Fixed penalty notices have been issued for flytipping in this period.](#)
12. How much money has been made from on the spot fines for flytipping between May 2016 and December 2016? [8 fixed penalty notices have been issued at a level of £400 each giving a total fine value of £3,200. Only 5 of these FPNs have been paid to date.](#)
13. How many prosecutions have there been for flytipping and waste crimes between November 2015 and December 2016? [9 successful prosecutions have been taken.](#)
14. How many people have received jail sentences for flytipping or waste crimes between November 2015 and December 2016? [None](#)