

| Title of Report: | Waste Data April to June 2025 |
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| Committee Report Submitted To: | Environmental Services |
| Date of Meeting: | 11 th November 2025 |
| For Decision or For Information | For Information |
| To be discussed In Committee YES/NO | NO |

| Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25) | | |
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| Strategic Theme | Climate Change and our Environment | |
| Outcome | Increasing proportion of domestic and commercial waste recycled | |
| Lead Officer | Head of Operations | |

| Estimated Timescale for Completion | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Date to be Completed | |

| Budgetary Considerations | |
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| Cost of Proposal | N/A |
| Included in Current Year Estimates | |
| Capital/Revenue | |
| Code | |
| Staffing Costs | |

| Legal Considerations | |
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| Input of Legal Services Required | NO |
| Legal Opinion Obtained | NO |

| Screening Requirements | Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals. | | |
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| Section 75 Screening | Screening Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |
| _ | EQIA Required and Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |
| Rural Needs Assessment | Screening Completed | Yes/No | Date: |
| (RNA) | RNA Required and Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |
| Data Protection Impact | Screening Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |
| Assessment (DPIA) | DPIA Required and Completed: | Yes/No | Date: |

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Members on the publication of provisional waste statistics on 23rd October 2025 by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) for the April to June 2025 reporting period.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 DAERA produce quarterly provisional Northern Ireland local authority collected municipal waste management statistics between April and March each year.
- 2.2 The publication provides information on local authority collected municipal waste from household and non-household sources and recycling and landfill rates.
- 2.3 In November each year, notwithstanding any delays, the Department produces a validated report for the proceeding April to March 12 month reporting period.

3.0 Information

- 3.1 Provisional statistics for recycling performance in the April to June 2025 reporting period as follows.
- 3.2 Household waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting was 54.8%. The Northern Ireland average was 54.0%.
- 3.3 Household waste dry recycling rate was 24.0%. The NI average was 23.0%. Household waste composting rate was 30.4%. The NI average was 30.7%.
- 3.4 Municipal waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting was 52.1%. The Northern Ireland average was 53.2%.
- 3.5 Waste from households (WfH) preparing for reuse and recycling including composting was 53.9%. The Northern Ireland average was 53.2%.
- 3.6 The WfH recycling rate is a harmonised indicator across the four UK countries.
- 3.7 Table(s) below summarising recycling activity and residual waste to materials recovery facility for Apr-Jun '24 versus Apr-Jun '25.

Table 1 – Recycling Activity

| | Apr - Jun '24 | Apr - Jun '25 |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Household waste recycling (%) | 52.96 | 54.81 |
| Municipal waste recycling (%) | 50.22 | 52.08 |

Table 2 – Residual Waste to Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)*

| | Apr-Jun '24 (t) | Apr-Jun '25 (t) |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Fuel | 4,451 | 5,339 |
| Landfill | 674 | 2,671 |
| Recycling | 1,047 | 1,450 |
| Total | 6,172 | 9,460 |

^{*} Council landfill site at Craigahulliar closed on 31st December 2024. From 1st January 2025, all council residual waste taken to MRF.

4.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that the Environmental Services Committee note the provisional recycling statistics for April to June 2025 reporting period published by DAERA.