

Environmental Information Regulations Request No. 5453

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Request/Response

1. The total number (or nearest estimate) of residential recycling bins (see definition below).

40,000 recycling containers are provided for 45000 households. 99 of the 40000 containers are large communal size containers i.e. 1100 litre for houses of multiple occupancy, these larger bins serve a high number of residents in big blocks of flats.

2. The total number of residents for which you organise refuse collection.

Population of around 95,000 (2018 figures) across 45000 households.

3. The total number of residential properties for which no recycling collection is offered.

25 properties are not provided a recycling collection, these are large blocks of flats with limited outside space and therefore no external space for recycling containers. All resident have access to our 30 recycling points across the district.

4. What enforcement action do you have at your disposal if residents place rubbish in the incorrect bin, for example but not limited to, non-recyclable rubbish in the recycling bin?

The bin is reported to us by our collections contractor and the bin will not be emptied until the resident removes the contamination. No further enforcement action is taken with the resident. Resident will have to wait to their next due collection for the bin to be collected.

5. How many incidents of using the enforcement action described in point 4 have there been in the 12 months leading up to September 30th 2019.

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6. Please provide details of each enforcement action listed in response to point 5. If the action is a fine, please include the amount fined, and whether this has been paid. If required please assign each action an anonymous reference number for data protection purposes.

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7. Do you have a “timed waste collection” system? For the purposes of this FOI “timed waste collection” means specific times during the day when bins are collected, and it is not permitted for bins to be placed outside out of this time.

Rother only request that bins are presented for collection from 7am on their scheduled collection day. Rother do not operate specific timed slots when resident have to place their waste out in.

8. What enforcement action do you have at your disposal if residents place rubbish outside for collection at the incorrect time within a day (if applicable), or day?

The only instance we may enforce is where residents are leaving bins out permanently on the pavement. We have not had to take this action to date as formal letters have resulted in bins being removed by the residents back onto their property..

9. How many incidents of using the enforcement action described in point 8 have there been in for each month in the 12 months leading up to September 30th 2019.

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10. Please provide details of each enforcement action listed in response to point 9. If the action is a fine, please include the amount fined, and whether this has been paid. If required please assign each action an anonymous reference number for data protection purposes.

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