2.00 pm Time:

Venue: Microsoft Teams

Membership

Councillor Heather Timms (Chair)

Councillor Neil Dirveiks

Councillor Jenny Fradgley

Councillor John Horner

Councillor Andrew Wright

Councillor Margaret Bell Councillor Alan Rhead

Councillor Howard Roberts

Councillor Ian Shenton

Councillor Jill Sheppard

Items on the agenda: -

1. General

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- **Update on MRF project** Verbal 4. Report
- Verbal Seasonal communication campaigns 5. Report
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7. Action on Climate change

Verbal Report

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16th June 2021 29th September 2021

Monica Fogarty
Chief Executive
Warwickshire County Council
Shire Hall, Warwick



Wednesday 9 December 2020

Minutes

Attendance

Committee Members Warwickshire County Council

Councillor Heather Timms (Chair) Councillor Neil Dirveiks Councillor Jenny Fradgley

Councillor John Horner

Ruth Dixon, Waste Strategy and Commissioning Manager

Tamalyn Goodwin, Project Manager (Waste Strategy and Commissioning)

Isabelle Moorhouse, Trainee Democratic Services Officer

Andrew Pau, Strategy and Commissioning Manager (Waste & Environment)

North Warwickshire Borough Council

Councillor Margaret Bell Richard Dobbs, Corporate Director – Streetscape

Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council

Councillor Jill Sheppard Glen McGrandle, Head of Waste and Transport

Rugby Borough Council

Dan Green, Head of Environmental and Public Realm Senior Management Team

Stratford-on-Avon District Council

Councillor Ian Shenton

Angela Lloyd, Streetscene Lead Contracts Officer

Julie Lewis, Head of Community and Operational Services

Warwick District Council

Councillor Moira-Ann Grainger

Zoe Court, Contract Services Manager & Parking & Ranger Service Manager

1. General

(1) Apologies

Craig Bourne – Contracts Manager (Streetscene-Stratford District Council) were received in the meeting.

(2) Members' Disclosures of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests None.

(3) Chair's Announcement

None.

(4) Minutes of the previous meeting, including matters arising

Councillor Jill Sheppard requested that she was added to the list of attendees for the last meeting.

The minutes were approved as a true and correct record.

2. Waste Management Performance Data

Andrew Pau (Strategy and Commissioning Manager (Waste & Environment) informed the partnership that the performance data covered Q1 and Q2 of the financial year. Most elements were travelling in the desired direction except household waste which had increased. Andrew Pau noted that the household recycling centres remained open in the second lockdown but there was a switch of tonnage from household waste recycling centres to curb side. The projected figures showed an increase in recycling, composting, recycling rate, total waste arising and a decrease in residual waste.

Resolved

That the Waste Partnership:

1. Note the provisional data for the 1st and 2nd Quarter 2020/21.

3. Update on the MRF Project

Richard Dobbs (Corporate Director – Streetscape at North Warwickshire Borough Council) presented an update for the MRF (materials recycling facility) project which was formed by several local authorities to build and run for dry recyclables; planning should start in the near future. The MRF was designed to carry its desired waste capacity and be flexible in periods of holiday waste increases; it was also designed to be flexible to updated waste strategies e.g. deposit return schemes. Some backlash was received from Coventry residents due to the MRF and other developments in the area affecting their highways. The MRF project would be largely self-sustainable in terms of power with several photovoltaics on the roof providing between 1/3-1/4 of power and the rest would be from a private wire from the waste plant's energy next door. When the MRF has started production, it should not be taking any energy from the grid and will be solely powered from sustainable resources making the MRF as green and sustainable as possible.

The process contractors who would provide the machinery have been consulted with and numbers have been analysed for each of the perspective contractor which was promising. On the 18th December 2020 the preferred bidder was awarded the contract. The process engineering contract was awarded around the same time. There was a single bidder for the 'civil' contract, this was different as it did not focus on economic advantages but a quantity surveyor and consultant approach, but also through open book tendering for major works packages. The MRF will need to be owned by a company wholly owned by the local authorities who are partners, this will be set up with the procurement exercise by March-April 2021; the company will be called 'Sherbourne Recycling'. Insurance and loans had been taken out to start the project and there are now 8 local authorities who sit on the company board and shareholder panel. Other local authorities and the private sector were contacted regarding the MRF dealing with their waste. The final figures were

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finalised in January 2021 and Richard Dobbs concluded that they want to have a presence in the waste industry as well as work with existing waste companies; the process and civil engineering contractors will be worked with to ensure this.

In response to the Chair, Richard Dobbs confirmed that the planning permission and affordability were looking positive, but the prospective affordability contractors varied from more traditional manual labour focused to automatic machinery focused. All were affordable but the viability on the continuation of these methods were being analysed.

In response to Councillor Jenny Fradgley's concerns with AI taking up possible job opportunities, Richard Dobbs stated that the jobs taken up by AI systems would be the worst and more technologically advanced jobs. Non-AI jobs would focus on cleaning the AI systems but there would be fewer jobs than expected in traditional MRF's. However, a lot of local employment would be generated around construction, maintenance, supply and haulage.

Following several queries raised by Councillor Ian Shenton, Richard Dobbs confirmed that other authorities were contacted regarding feedstock rather than to be partners of the MRF, some local authorities contacted him because they were interested in the MRF and had similar difficulties with waste management. This had allowed opportunities for future partnerships.

The MRF project was set up for today's problems for local authorities who were on the board, but extra feedstock would be sought in the future to improve the MRF's economic viability and return money to the investors. Richard Dobbs concluded that need to work through the financial implications and contractors needed to be confirmed. Work could be done to reduce costs but essentially investors needed to feel confident to invest in the MRF. The initial plans were reserved and would build up when possible, the facility will be set up to run for at least 30 years. The lowest amount of income return was set up for the initial plans too.

4. Biowaste/Green and Food collections

Julie Lewis (Head of Community and Operational Services (Stratford and Warwick District Councils) presented the update on Stratford and Warwick Districts merging their waste collection, she noted this was a lengthy task. All aspects had to be reviewed including bin sizes and charges for the service. The two districts becoming a unitary was brought up, but the focus remained on benefiting the environment, reducing waste and the carbon footprint as well as cost. Both districts were looking at a joint contract because their outsourced contracts were ending; the new joint contract is aimed for 1st August 2022 after Stratford's contract ends. This contract will be affected by current and future legislation; both councils being signed up for the MRF will push their waste collection initiatives forward and both councils needed to be at same place. There had been crossparty support and the joint-contract idea had already been approved by Warwick District Council. A joint-council project board was set up between the two councils. To achieve the August 2022 deadline, a contract needs to be supplied to perspective procurers in January; this contract will be affected by changes in waste collection and the effects from Covid-19. A communication plan started early to resolve queries from the media and public. A joint communication plan with the county council to reinforce the recycling benefits will start in 2021.

The new contract will follow the 1-2-3+ process: 3-weekly residual collections with a 180L bin (this will be more environmentally friendly and cheaper than the current system), 2-weekly collection for recycling, 1 new food waste bin which will be collected weekly (food waste will likely be compulsory in the future, so cheaper and more environmentally friendly to do it now), the '+' step will be an optional green bin purchase for garden waste collection. Legislation states what legally can be done so this had to be taken into consideration, for example local authorities cannot charge

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for collecting food waste. Communications remain ongoing informing the public of the 1-2-3 programme, this included FAQ webpages. It was important to focus on that the programme will be better for the environment then the old system.

Julie Lewis concluded that while the 1-2-3 project at Daventry was economically driven, at Stratford and Warwick Districts it was environmentally driven.

Andrew Pau added that the 1-2-3 agenda is in line with central government's future plans. The second round of consultation should start in March 2021 and the environment bill which dictates waste collection was being progressed through the House of Lords.

Dan Green (Head of Environmental and Public Realm Senior Management Team at Rugby Borough Council) praised the 1-2-3 programme and noted that is created behavioural change. In response to Dan Green's queries regarding net carbon, fortnightly residual waste collections and free green collection, Julie Lewis stated that they did not believe a frequency of residual wate collection would be dictated and that collected garden waste created a sizable income and they would expect central government to reimburse them and the 75% of councils which charge for garden waste. There would be no separate fleets of vehicles collecting food waste as this waste would be 'podded' in recycling vehicles. Green waste collection vehicles must go to every house who subscribes to their surface.

Councillor Shenton praised the cross-party approach to the 1-2-3 programme because of the environmental and economic benefits to this.

Following a query from Councillor Margaret Bell, Julie Lewis said that food waste collection will go into a 240L wheelie bin and then onto the refuse lorry. To prevent confusion, the food waste collection bin will be a distinctive colour. Feedback from refuse collectors and the public was positive as it made members of the public think about the amount of food they were wasting. Operators liked the wheelie bin. Councillor Moira-Anne Grainger added that recycling operators struggled with the high turnover with staff and praised that the new system will make it easier to retain staff.

In response to Councillor John Horner and Councillor Neil Dirveiks, Julie Lewis clarified that the councils will provide the food waste bins (a small one for inside and one for outside) which would be covered by one-off capital costs. The small bin size would prevent them from being too heavy for residents, the large bin (either 180L or 240L) will be outside and have wheels.

5. Seasonal Communication Campaigns

Ruth Dixon (Waste Strategy and Commissioning Manager) stated the work focused on the Christmas period waste and reducing, reusing and/or recycling it. This was advertised through different medias including magazines, online newsletters and social media. On Instagram there were daily posts providing information and there was increased positive responses on the 'Warwickshire Recycles' Facebook page and Twitter. The newsletter currently has 9000 subscribers and the 'Slim your Bin' training course is on twitter, provided monthly prizes and provides money to charity nominations.

Councillor Grainger praised the Twitter posts.

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6. Waste Partners Update

North Warwickshire

Richard Dobbs did not have any further updates then already provided in the paper circulation.

Rugby

Dan Green stated that they had ongoing challenges because of Covid-19 due to the amount of positive cases within the refuse collector teams. There were concerns about cold weather causing refuse collection suspensions.

Julie Lewis praised Rugby's refuse collection service. A discussion followed regarding the 1-2-3 programme.

Nuneaton & Bedworth

Glen McGrandle (Head of Waste and Transport-Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council) stated they had been dealing with the ongoing problems caused by Covid-19 which had affected performance and a colleague was lost to Covid-19. Covid-19 messaging had been implemented on their refuse vehicles to encourage residents to comply with central government's safety guidance. Due to the increase in fly-tipping on the Nuneaton & Bedworth/Rugby border, a meeting with Rugby and the police was set up to try to resolve this issue; this included increasing the amount of fixed penalty notices for fly-tippers and processing a case to potentially go to the magistrates court for prosecution. A HRA vehicle procurement was underway, including looking at different fuel provisions and electric and hybrid collection vehicles.

Stratford

Angela Lloyd (Streetscene Lead Contracts Officer-Stratford District Council) informed the partnership that there were two active case of Covid-19 in the BIFFA fleet, therefore, ten refuse workers were on leave or self-isolating. As well as the waste contract the street cleansing contract will be renewed at the same time. Green waste charges went live 11th January 2021 and there was a large public response regarding the 'early-bird offer' and fly-tipping remained high.

Warwick

Zoe Court (Contract Services Manager & Parking & Ranger Service Manager-Warwick District Council) stated that they were preparing for the '1-2-3' communication with a new apprentice, Stratford District and Warwickshire County Councils. The reinstating of enforcement with fly-tipping will be brought back in 2021. The ground and streets contract was awarded to ID Verde and the waste contract with Suez was extended until the '1-2-3' is installed.

Resolved

That the Waste Partnership acknowledge the updates on the various waste activities taking place in each area since the last partnership meeting in September 2020.

7. Update on environmental crime, littering and fly tipping

Andrew Pau reminded the partnership that a lot of meetings happened in 2019-2020 with police, planning officers and the Environmental Agency regarding environment crime and fly-tipping. Officers held another meeting to get more organised, so the county council pulled data together despite it being sporadic.

Ruth Dixon added that Warwick District's information was the same as the circulated 'Flycatcher' information. She suggested gathering information on fixed penalty notices for fly-tipping to create

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an enforcement so they could be more preventative with this then just gathering information. The Chair supported this idea and suggested looking into the viability of this.

8. Action on Climate change

Andrew Pau noted that waste management affects the carbon rates of local authorities, therefore a new tool model was being established by the LGA (local government association). The county council have completed it and helped develop it. Andrew Pau and the Chair noted the importance of climate change and waste management being linked.

9. Agenda item suggestions for next meeting

Richard Dobbs stated he will present another MRF update for March's meeting. Andrew Pau added that he will present the second round of central government's consultation if it is released before the meeting.

10. Dates of future meetings

17th March 2021

The meeting rose at 15:54	
The meeting rose at 10.04	
	Chair

17th March 2021

Waste Management Performance Data

Recommendations

(1) The Partnership is asked to note the provisional data for the year 2020/21.

1.0 Data Overview

- 1.1 This report contains a mixture of data taken from Waste Data Flow and from Warwickshire County Council in-house records and at the publication of this report are considered estimates.
- 1.2 The figures should be treated as provisional as data may be changed until data from all authorities is approved by the EA and DEFRA through the Waste Data Flow System.
- 1.3 The key targets from the Warwickshire Waste Strategy are listed below:

Partnership	Reuse, Recycling and	Kg of Residual Waste per
Targets 2020	Composting Rate 65%	Household 311kg
_		(excluding HWRC waste)

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Provisional Waste Management Data 2020/21

1. Provisional performance Q1 + Q2 + Q3 2020/21 (household waste)

	Q1+Q2+Q3 2019/20	Q1+Q2+Q3 2020/21	Change
Recycling/Reuse rate	43,193 tonnes	46,217 tonnes	<i>©</i> 3,024 tonnes up
rtooyomig/rtoude rate	21.9%	22.5%	© 0.6% up
Composting rate	59,949 tonnes	60,548 tonnes	© 599 tonnes up
Composting rate	30.5%	29.5%	# 1.0% down
Recycling, Composting and	103,142 tonnes	106,765 tonnes	© 3,623 tonnes up
Reuse rate	52.4%	52.0%	≭ 0.4% down
Landfill rate	24,219 tonnes	15,234 tonnes	© 8,985 tonnes down
Landini rate	12.3%	7.4%	<i>©</i> 4.9% down
Energy from waste	69,518 tonnes	83,189 tonnes	© 13,671 tonnes up
Lifergy Holli waste	35.3%	40.5%	<i>☺</i> 5.2% up
Total Have shall have	196,879	205,188	≭ 8,309 tonnes up
Total Household waste	tonnes	tonnes	≭ 4.2% up

2. Estimated performance for year 2020/21 (household waste)

	North	Warwick	shire	Nuneato	on and Be	edworth		Rugby			Stratford			Warwick			HWRC		W	arwicksh	ire
НН	27,820	28,300	28,428	56,140	57,170	57,674	45,720	47,120	49,729	57,340	59,750	60,353	62,550	64,720	65,395	N/A	N/A	N/A	249,570	257,060	261,579
	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 est	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 est	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 est	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 est	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 est	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 est	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 est
Recycling	4,948 tonnes	5,324 tonnes	5,996 tonnes	9,125 tonnes	8,408 tonnes	9,491 tonnes	10,397 tonnes	9,695 tonnes	10,562 tonnes	13,336 tonnes	12,866 tonnes	14,087 tonnes	10,621 tonnes	10,579 tonnes	11,743 tonnes	11,124 tonnes	11,289 tonnes	9,844 tonnes	59,551 tonnes	58,254 tonnes	61,723 tonnes
rate	18.6%	19.5%	20.6%	19.0%	18.1%	19.2%	25.6%	24.4%	24.3%	23.9%	22.3%	23.5%	20.9%	20.0%	21.2%	36.0%	36.7%	45.3%	23.5%	22.8%	23.8%
	7,188	7,748	8,103	11,759	9,233	10,004	7,561	8,294	9,356	20,003	22,048	22,589	16,732	17,830	19,032	7,351	7,111	2,702	70,594	72,124	71,786
Composting rate	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
	27.0%	28.4%	27.8%	24.5%	19.9%	20.3%	18.6%	20.9%	21.5%	35.8%	38.2%	37.6%	32.9%	33.8%	34.4%	23.8%	23.1%	12.4%	27.9%	28.3%	27.7%
Recycling,	12,136	13,072	14,099	20,884	17,641	19,495	17,958	17,989	19,918	33,339	34,914	36,676	27,353	28,409	30,775	18,475	18,400	12,546	130,145	130,378	133,509
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Rate	45.6%	47.9%	48.4%	43.4%	38.0%	39.5%	44.2%	45.3%	45.8%	59.6%	60.5%	61.1%	53.7%	53.8%	55.6%	59.7%	59.9%	57.7%	51.4%	51.1%	51.5%
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	26.612	27,270	29,131	48.068	46.473	49,387	40.667	39.750	43,517	55.904	57.687	60.022	50,915	52,796	55.364	30.942	30.742	21.743	253.108	255.224	259.164
Total	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes	tonnes
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Kg of all	957	964	1,025	856	813	856	889	844	875	975	965	995	814	816	847				1,014	993	991
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HWRC Performance Q1+Q2+Q3 2020-21	Burton Farm HWRC	Cherry Orchard HWRC	Hunters Lane HWRC & Transfer	Judkins HWRC	Lower House Farm	Princes Drive HWRC & Transfer	Shipston HWRC	Stockton HWRC	Wellesbourne HWRC	Total	
Recycling %	56.2	57.09	55.86	66.31	57.97	48.85	60.26	56.9	43.95	55.74	

3. April-July Tonnages Comparison 2019 to 2020

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17 Mar 2021

Waste Partners Report

Recommendation(s)

1. The Waste Partnership is asked to acknowledge the updates on the various waste activities taking place in each area since the last partnership meeting in December 2020.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 This report provides an update on the various waste activities taking place in each authority area.

2.0 North Warwickshire Borough Council

- 2.1 Refuse & Recycling Collections are still experiencing strain on staffing due to Covid-19.
- 2.2 We have just completed our Winter suspension of our Green Waste Service in February which has allowed us to catch-up on essential maintenance.
- 2.3 Snow and Ice have adversely impacted upon our services in January and February this led to some collection delays in rural areas in particular
- 2.4 Our three new 26 tonne single-bodied vehicles are performing very well and are delivering additional capacity, with reduced running costs and lower carbon emissions.
- 2.5 We are preparing specifications for the replacement of a further 8 RCVs of various sizes.
- 2.6 Preparations are well underway for the introduction of garden waste charges in April 2021. With one month until the launch of our new chargeable green waste service, subscriptions are currently ahead of where we expected to be at this stage.
- 2.6 Banners are still being displayed on the sides of the RCVs focussed on Covid-19 messages with the continuing aim of reducing rates in the borough and across Warwickshire.

3.0 Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council

3.1 **COVID-19 Response**

- a) Lateral Flow Testing (LFT) of staff has commenced at Gresham Road depot.
- b) Reviewing new covid-19 measures and guidance for continued staff and visitor safety and all key servicing operating as normal currently.
- c) Risk assessment being continually updated and issued to all Gresham Road users and visitors.

3.2 Refuse, Recycling and Street Cleansing

- a) All waste collection working at full capacity.
- b) Refuse collection 'In cab' data capture and sharing process has been finalised and roll out expected by end April 21.
- c) Refuse and recycling collection routing progressing well, and draft routes expected by end March 21.
- d) Garden waste collection service sign up encouraging and in line with projected figures.
- e) Staff from cleansing trained in waste retrieval and debris removal techniques will shortly be operational in the borough. It is hoped this service can be offered to other local authorities following successful trials.

3.3 Enforcement

- a) Environmental enforcement provision continuing for fly tipping utilising current Covid-19 safeguards.
- b) Fixed penalty notices (FPN) issued in response to fly tipping incidents.
- c) Waste management officers liaising with legal representatives to move forward fly tipping prosecutions.
- d) Smart Camera deployment undertaken in the borough for the purpose of preventing and recording fly tipping crime.

3.4 Promotions/Communications

a) Christmas and New Year 20/21 waste collections went well.

3.5 Climate Change Emergency

 a) Vehicle procurement analysis continues for housing van replacement programme. EV and Hybrid demonstration vehicles undertaken and a Gresham Road depot, electric supply grid feed analysis completed. Review of options based on information received currently being conducted with an update report to cabinet earmarked for March 21.

4.0 Rugby Borough Council

- 4.1 Continuing to respond to the ongoing COVID-19 emergency with regards to all refuse, recycling and cleansing services and safeguarding of key worker staff. Still working to the requirements of Covid secure Risk Assessments, government, and industry guidance.
- 4.1 Several members of staff have tested positive for Covid 19 during the period, however, have all been isolated sufficiently to prevent further transmission. Similarly, all suspected cases have been isolated until negative tests have been received and isolation periods have been met.
- 4.2 Green waste subscriptions for 2021/22 are now open. In excess of 28,000 households subscribed to the service in 2020-21.
- 4.3 Members Task and Finish Group established to improve education and information regarding recycling and to consider potential changes required because of the resources and waste strategy.
- 4.4 Collections suspended on two occasions (totalling three days) due to snow, however all collections were completed the following weekend.
- 4.5 RBC continue to play an active and proactive role in the sub regional MRF project.
- 4.6 Jim Perkins has now left RBC. We thank him for his work, and we wish him well in the future.

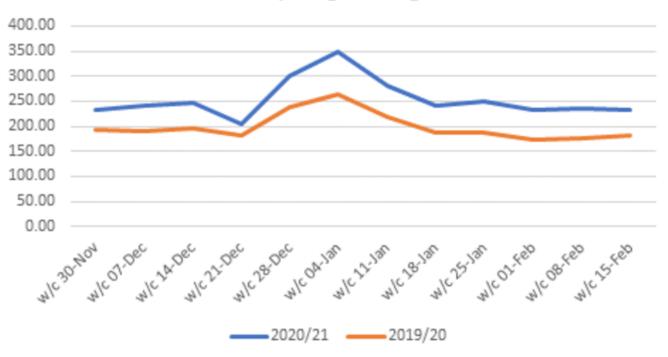
5.0 Warwick District Council

- 5.1 New contracts for both Street Cleansing and Grounds Maintenance were awarded to IDVerde with both contracts starting on 29th March 2021. Both 8-year contracts.
- 5.2 Current Waste contract with SUEZ has been extended until August 2022.
- 5.3 Joint waste contract with SDC ongoing.
- 5.4 Current kerbside collection data Recycling tonnage has increased since last year by 30%, residual waste has increased by 10% and green waste remains on par with last year's tonnages. With the announcement of schools returning on 8th March we anticipate a reduction in tonnage figures. We have also seen a significant increase of 60% in the number of recycling containers being ordered compared to last year. We still have an additional vehicle on the recycling rounds to help collect the higher volumes of recycling.

- 5.5 W/C 22nd Feb we removed all of our recycling bring sites. We continue to attend and check these sites for fly-tipping until the end of March.
- 5.6 Bulky waste collections continue and remain static at a maximum of 60 collections a week.
- 5.7 Fly-tipping we are continuing to just remove fly-tips and not looking for evidence or taking any enforcement action. Number of fly-tips reported remains on par with last year, but we are starting to see a very slight decrease in these number.

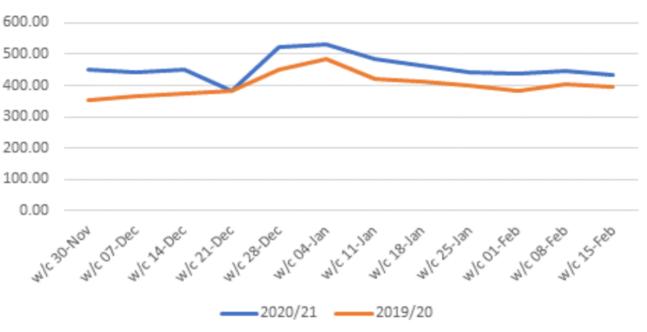
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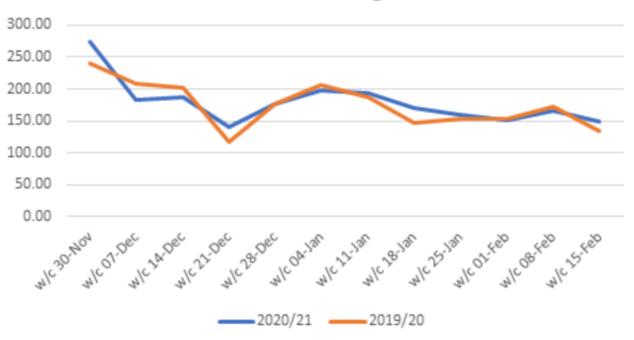
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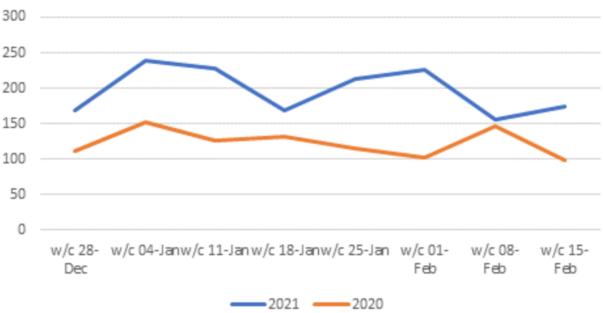
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6.0 Stratford-on-Avon District Council

- 6.1 SDC have continued to provide a full range of waste collection and street cleansing services throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and bad weather. There has been an increase in the quality of general waste and recycling collected due to Lockdown 3 and the closure of the hospitality industry again.
- 6.2 The number of fly tipping incidents continues to rise with 67 incidences in January compared to 41 last year.
- 6.3 The chargeable garden waste service starts on 1st April 2021. Many residents have taken advantage of the discounted 'early bird' rate with over 25,000 subscriptions. We have currently delivered over 3,000 food waste caddies to allow residents to continue having food waste collected even if they do not wish to subscribe to the garden waste service.
- 6.4 The bi-annual review of the continued eligibility of residents receiving assisted collections has been completed.
- 6.5 The procurement of a new joint waste collection contract with WDC is in process. In January, a supplier clarification meeting took place with potential tenderers. We are now awaiting SSQ submissions. The new contract will start on 1st August 2022.
- 6.6 Our social media posts have continued focusing on waste reduction, recycling and environmental messages.

7.0 Warwickshire County Council

7.1 Covid – 19

- a) The Partnership has worked together throughout the Covid-19 pandemic to ensure the continuation of waste services across the County. Continuity of service in all areas has been maintained during the third lockdown phase, aside from snow related issues.
- b) HWRCs closed on March 24th and 6 reopened on Monday 18th May with a booking system to manage social distancing. The final two sites, Stockton and Wellesbourne, opened on 26th September. Seven reuse shops were reopened for a spell in late summer and early autumn and in December; they are all currently shut. The systems in place have ensured that visitors and staff are able to keep 2 metres apart, all waste streams are available, and queueing has been minimal. There are currently over 11,000 appointments available per week.

7.2 Communication activities update:

- a) 9,000 subscribers received the December edition of the 'Warwickshire Recycles' e-newsletter, which focussed on reducing waste at Christmas. The edition had a 40% open rate and 9% click rate. The February edition focussed on food waste and home composting and had a 47% open rate and 9% click rate. The Easter edition will be out in March.
- b) Slim Your Bin has recruited 1,235 'bin dieters' onto its 4-week training programme. We have added a module called Slim Your Bin Kids, packed with ideas for keeping children entertained with practical activities the bring home the waste minimisation message. We will be asking elected members from all local authorities to help to promote the scheme.
- c) The YouTube Home Composting Workshop launched last year has been viewed 872 times and feedback has been very positive. An updated version is in production for the spring. Compost bins are available to purchase from the recycling centres, with a greater range of equipment available from the online shop for home delivery. Sales from both are strong.
- d) The countywide food waste recycling behaviour change campaign In to Win, continues across the county. 5811 households are now signed up.
- e) All waste reduction behaviour change activity is promoted with regular posts on our social media accounts. Facebook followers have increased to 2,277 (Warwickshire Recycles), with 968 followers on Twitter (@WarksRecycles).

7.3 **Procurement and Contracts update:**

- a) The following contracts have been extended:
- Glass collection and recycling from HWRCs

- Metal collection and recycling from HWRCs
- b) Upcoming extensions for 2021 may include waste composition, plasterboard, paint 360, kerbside haulage and caddy liners.
- c) The following contracts will commence in the next couple of months:
- Tyre collection and disposal has been awarded to Midfit Tyres
- Textile collection and recycling will be provided by Donald Ward through a contract procured by Leicestershire County Council.
- d) Upcoming procurements in 2021 or those currently taking place are garden waste composting, container provision, WEEE, inert waste and streetsweepings.
- e) Work is also taking place to consider haulage provision as the contract ends Nov 2021.

8.0 Financial Implications

8.1 None.

9.0 Next steps

9.1 Updates on progress to be provided at the June 2021 meeting.

Background papers

None.

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