



May 16th, 2022

Notice Of Meeting

You are invited to attend the Neighbourhood Services Committee Meeting to be held on **Wednesday, 18th May 2022 at 6:00 pm** in **Boardroom Monaghan Row Newry** and via **Microsoft Teams**.

Committee Membership for 2021-2022 (v2)

- Cllr. K Owen (Chair)
- Cllr. A Finnegan (Deputy Chair)
- Cllr. T Andrews
- Cllr. C Casey
- Cllr. W Clarke
- Cllr. D Curran
- Cllr. O Magennis
- Cllr. G Malone
- Cllr. H McKee
- Cllr. K McKevitt
- Cllr. A McMurray
- Cllr. D Murphy
- Cllr. M Ruane
- Cllr. G Stokes
- Cllr. D Taylor

Agenda

1.0 Apologies and Chairperson's Remarks.

2.0 Declarations of "Conflict of Interest".

3.0 Action Sheet of the Neighbourhood Services Committee Meeting held on 21 April 2022. (Attached).

 *3. NS Action Sheet - 21 April 2022.pdf*

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Facilities Management and Maintenance

4.0 Report of Christmas Illuminations and Celebrations Group Meeting 7th April 2022. (Attached).

 *4. Report Christmas Illuminations and Celebrations Group Meeting April 2022.pdf*

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 *4. Appendix 1 Action Sheet Working Group Meeting Christmas Illuminations 7th April 2022.pdf*

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Exempt Information Items

5.0 Business Case - Shimna River Wall Repairs - Design Team fees. (Attached).

This item is deemed to be restricted by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 - information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, (including the Council holding that information) and the public may by resolution, be excluded during this item of business.

 *5. Report -Shimna River Wall Repairs.pdf*

Not included

 *5. App 1 - Shimna River Site Plan Showing Locations 1, 2 and 3.pdf*

Not included

 *5. App 2 Shimna River Wall Repairs.pdf*


Not included

6.0 Business Cases for the maintenance and monitoring of Council Public Space CCTV. (Attached).

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 *6. Report - Business Cases for maintenance and monitoring of Council Public Space CCTV.pdf*

Not included

 **6. App 1 Business Case for Town Centre CCTV Analogue Fiberoptic lines to link Camera system to Monitoring Centre.pdf** **Not included**

 **6. App 2 Business Case for Town Centre CCTV Monitoring.pdf** **Not included**

7.0 Public Convenience Strategy. (To follow).

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8.0 Contract for the Transport of Mixed Dry Recyclable Waste. (Attached).

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 **8. Report - Transport of Mixed Dry Recyclables Contract.pdf** **Not included**

For Noting - Exempt Information Items

9.0 Fleet Management Operator's Licence Update. (Attached)

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 **9.Report Fleet Management Operators Licence Action Plan Update 18 05 22.pdf** **Not included**

 **9. App 1 Fleet Management Operators Licence Action Plan Update 18 05 22.pdf** **Not included**

 **9. App 2 Fleet Management Operators Licence Action Plan Update.pdf** **Not included**

10.0 Estates Management & Security Update. (Attached).

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 **10. Report Progress Update on Estates Management and Security Audit Findings.pdf** **Not included**

11.0 Arc21 Joint Committee Members' Monthly Bulletin held on 28 April 2022. (Attached).

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11. ARC 21 JC Members Bulletin 28.4.22.pdf

Not included

12.0 Arc21 Joint Committee Meeting in Committee Minutes of 31 March 2022. (Attached).

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12. ARC21 JC in Comm Mins 31.3.22.pdf

Not included

For Noting

13.0 Fleet Replacement Update. (Attached).

13. Fleet Replacement Programme Update.pdf

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14.0 Arc21 Joint Committee Meeting Minutes of 31 March 2022. (Attached).

14. ARC21 JC Mins 31.3.22.pdf

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15.0 Northern Ireland Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste Management Statistics, Quarterly Provisional Estimates October to December 2021. (Attached).

15. NI Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste Man Statistics - quarterly provisional estimates for Oct - Dec 2021.pdf

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16.0 Historical Action Sheet. (Attached).

16. NS Historic Actions Tracker Sheet (updated May 2022).pdf

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ACTION SHEET ARISING FROM NS MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 21 APRIL 2022

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
NS/046/2022	Monthly Action Sheet	Action Sheet of the Neighbourhood Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 23 March 2022 be noted and actions removed as marked.	DSO		Y
FACILITIES MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE					
NS/047/2022	Review of Translink's Ulster in Bloom Entries and submission of entries for 2022	Agreed to note the contents of the report and approve the submission of an entry by the Council to Translink's Ulster in Bloom competition for 2022 as set out in Section 2.2 of the report, to also include Newry, Kilkeel and Rostrevor.	K Scullion	Complete	Y
NS/048/2022	Update on the development of the Council's Tree Strategy	Agreed to note the contents of the report and approve the presentation of the draft Tree Strategy to the Neighbourhood Services Working Group in May 2022 along with a review of progress in the Council achieving a cessation in the use of	K Scullion	In progress	N

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		herbicides containing glyphosate.			
NS/049/2022	Applications for bus shelters in Crossgar and Killyleagh	<p>To note the contents of the report.</p> <p>Agree to the recommendations in Appendix 1 for the erection of a bus shelter at Cross Street Killyleagh and the relocation of the shelter at Downpatrick Street Crossgar.</p> <p>In relation to the application for a bus shelter at Catherine Street, Killyleagh, a decision be deferred pending further consultation with the PSNI in light of the anti-social behaviour issues raised by Members</p> <p>Officers to consult further with Translink on the option for Council to enter into an agreement with Translink for the provision of bus shelters at official bus stops.</p>	K Scullion	<p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p>	<p>N</p> <p>N</p> <p>N</p>
NS/050/2022	Trial of solar lights at Council bus shelters	Agreed to recommend to proceed with the installation of solar lighting at 2 bus shelters near Attical with their effectiveness monitored and this	K Scullion	In progress	N

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		information to be reported back to Committee			
NS/051/2022	Vegetation growth within Aughrim River at the Events Space Kilkeel	Agreed to note the contents of the report and approve the recommendation to appoint a suitably qualified consultant/s through the SCAPE Framework to provide consultancy support to identify the causes of the vegetation growth in the Aughrim River adjacent to the Events Space, Kilkeel, and the steps and possible costs to managing this part of the river to provide a more visually attractive aspect to this location.	K Scullion	In progress	N
WASTE MANAGEMENT					
NS/052/2022	Compost Week 2022	Note and approve the distribution of compost through Household recycling Centres during Compost Week 2022 with associated publicity. Note and approve the additional activities in 2.2 to highlight and promote the importance of recycling food waste.	S Murphy	Complete	N

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		<p>1. Publication of new collection calendars</p> <p>2. Issuing of 'No food waste' stickers for placement on black bins</p> <p>3. Distribution of 100 new/replacement food caddies through Elected Representatives</p> <p>4. Issue of 10 food waste caddies to primary schools on request. (Max distribution 1000 caddies), to further promote food waste recycling in the home, as per previous Council decision.</p> <p>Note and approve the launch of an application process, with set criteria, to establish demand for deploying brown bins to residents of high rise buildings who were not previously provided with these.</p>		<p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p> <p>Complete</p> <p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p>	
NS/053/2022	Response to DAERA Consultation on Digital Waste Tracker	Agreed to approve the consultation response to Mandatory Digital Waste Tracking Consultation.	S Murphy	Complete	Y

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NS/054/2022	Chewing Gum Clean-Up Fund – Expression of Interest	Agreed to approve Officers preparing an expression of interest application to the Keep Britain Tidy Chewing Gum Clean-Up Fund	S Murphy	In progress	N
IN CLOSED SESSION					
NS/056/2022	Replacement of safety tiles with wet pour surfacing in various Council play areas	Agreed to approve the progress update report on the replacement of safety tiles with wet-pour surfacing in various Council play areas	K Scullion	In progress	Y
NS/057/2022	Various issues concerning the Events Space Kilkeel	Note the contents of the report.	K Scullion	In progress	N
		Approve the Officers recommendation that the legal position of the Council regarding its maintenance of the events space, Kilkeel, is reviewed with a separate report to be provided to the Council once this has been considered further.			
		Approve the recommendation to accommodate the request from a local community organisation to make a connection to the Council's electricity supply at the Events Space, Kilkeel to provide decorative lighting to a new		In progress	N

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		<p>statue. This will be subject to a suitable legal agreement being in-place between the relevant parties. The legal agreement will cover the installation of the electric supply and how ongoing electricity charges will be apportioned."</p>			
NS/058/2022	Proposed Phase 2 Extension to Kilbroney Municipal Cemetery	<p>Note the content of the report.</p> <p>Committee approve that the Council's Design Team complete the contract drawings and associated information for the proposed Phase 2 extension to Kilbroney Municipal Cemetery to include the new extension and the option of refurbishment of Phase 1 of the cemetery and provision of a works compound.</p> <p>Committee approve that once complete, the contract drawings and associated information will be provided to the Council's Civil Engineering and Minor Works Framework contractor for pricing. A</p>	K Scullion	<p>In progress</p> <p>In progress</p>	<p>N</p> <p>N</p>

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		further report will be made at that stage to Committee with recommendation on the extent of the project to be completed.			
NS/058/2022	Business Case for Christmas Illuminations Replacement Programme	Note the content of the report and associated Business Case. Approve the recommendation that Option 3 as detailed within the Business Case is accepted as the preferred option. Option 3 will see the delivery of this project through a combined procurement of Christmas illuminations and a 10-year hire agreement for five artificial Christmas trees with ongoing annual maintenance costs.	K Scullion	In progress	N
NS/059/2022	Business Case for the removal of leachate from closed landfill sites	Agreed to approve the business case for the removal and transport of leachate from Drumanakelly, Aughnagun and Croreagh closed landfill sites to a licensed treatment plant.	S Murphy	In progress	N

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NS/060/2022	Business Case for replacement hook-lift vehicles	Agreed to approve the Business Case at Appendix I for the replacement of three 32T Hook Lift Vehicles the Waste Processing section to service Household Recycling Centres in the legacy Newry and Mourne District Council sites.	S Murphy	In progress	N
NS/061/2022	Council contract for legionella monitoring in Council properties	Agreed to note the service increase charge for legionella monitoring as set out at section 2.1 of the report.	K Scullion	Complete	Y
NS/062/2022	Arc21 Joint Monthly Bulletin – 31 March 2022	Agreed to note this bulletin.	J McBride	Noted	Y
NS/063/2022	Arc21 In Committee Minutes – 24 February 2022	Agreed to note these Minutes.	J McBride	Noted	Y
FOR NOTING					
NS/064/2022	Neighbourhood Services Directorate Scheme of Delegation	Agreed to note the decisions taken by the Neighbourhood Services Director (Acting) from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022 in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation for Officers.	J McBride	Noted	Y

Minute Ref	Subject	Decision	Lead Officer	Actions taken/ Progress to date	Remove from Action Sheet Y/N
NS/065/2022	Use of herbicides across the Council Estate	Agreed to note the content of the report.			
NS/066/2022	Deep cleansing update	Agreed to note the content of the report.	S Murphy	Noted	Y
NS/067/2022	Arc21 Special JC Minutes – 24 February 2022	Agreed to mark this correspondence noted.	J McBride	Noted	Y
NS/068/2022	Historic Actions Tracking Sheet	Agreed the Historic Actions Tracking Sheet of the Neighbourhood Services Committee Meetings be noted and actions removed as marked.	J McBride	Noted	Y
END					

Report to:	Neighbourhood Services Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 th May 2022
Subject:	Report of Christmas Illuminations and Celebrations Group Meeting 7 th April 2022
Reporting Officer	Kevin Scullion, Assistant Director, Facilities Management & Maintenance Department
Contact Officer	Kevin Scullion, Assistant Director, Facilities Management & Maintenance Department

Confirm how this Report should be treated by placing an x in either: -

For decision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	For noting only	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1.0	Purpose and Background
1.1	<p>The purpose of this report is to provide Councillors with an opportunity to review the Action Sheet (see Appendix 1) from the Councils Christmas Illuminations and Celebrations Group meeting which took place on the 7th April 2022.</p> <p>The Action sheet is for noting.</p>
1.2	The report also considers a request from the Dundrum Village Association concerning Christmas illuminations.
2.0	Key Issues
2.1	<p>The Council Christmas Illuminations and Celebrations Group was set up to agree on how Council will help local communities across the district celebrate Christmas. It has no decision-making powers with all recommendations coming to the Neighbourhood Services Committee for consideration.</p> <p>Councillors are asked to note the contents of the Action Sheet from its meeting held on 7th April 2022. There are no recommendations for consideration.</p>
2.2	<p>In 2021 the Council was contacted by Dundrum Village Association seeking support in providing a Christmas pole illumination display within the village. The Council agreed a loan of 24 pole illuminations and the Village Association paid for the infrastructure required to install the pole illuminations. Through this the Village Association managed to provide a festive display along the main road which passes through the village. This supplemented the sustainable Christmas tree which had been planted as part of the Council's sustainable Christmas tree programme.</p> <p>Officers met this month with the Dundrum Village Association along with Slieve Croob Councillors. Part of the discussions concerned the provision of Christmas displays. The Village Association requested that the Council continue with the provision of Christmas pole illuminations and that this be included as part of the Councils annual Christmas display. Slieve Croob Councillors present at the meeting were supportive of this request.</p>

	<p>The Council already provides a Christmas pole illumination display in 16 urban locations within the council area. The population estimates from the 2011 Census for these 16 urban locations range from 800 (Newtownhamilton) to 26,893 (Newry). The population estimates from the 2011 Census for Dundrum was 1551.</p> <p>The village of Dundrum with its long straight main road through the village lends itself well to the display of pole illuminations and are viewed by many including the significant traffic flow through the village.</p> <p>Officers are recommending that the request from Dundrum Village Association be approved with the display for 2022 being provided from within existing stock (Christmas pole illuminations and cross street features. If approved, consideration of new stock would be reviewed as part of the Christmas display programme for 2023.</p>
3.0	Recommendations
3.1	<p>Note the contents of this report and the Action Sheet of the Christmas Illuminations Group Meeting held on 7th April 2022.</p> <p>To approve the recommendation that Dundrum be included as part of the Council's programme for the provision of pole mounted Christmas illuminations and cross street features.</p>
4.0	Resource implications
4.1	<p>Work under this report is funded through the Councils revenue budget and agreed capital funding.</p> <p>The addition of Dundrum as part of the Councils Christmas illuminations display is estimated to cost an additional £3000 in revenue spend for the financial year 2022/23.</p> <p>At a future date the procurement of 24 new pole mounted illuminations is estimated to cost £10,000. This would be funded through the Council's Capital programme.</p>
5.1	<p><i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i></p> <p>It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations</p>
5.2	<p><i>Proposal relates to the introduction of a strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or sensitive or contentious decision</i></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) has been equality screened</p> <p>The policy (strategy, policy initiative or practice and / or decision) will be subject to equality screening prior to implementation</p>

5.3	<p>Proposal initiating consultation</p> <p>Consultation will seek the views of those directly affected by the proposal, address barriers for particular Section 75 equality categories to participate and allow adequate time for groups to consult amongst themselves</p> <p>Consultation period will be 12 weeks</p> <p>Consultation period will be less than 12 weeks (rationale to be provided)</p> <p><i>Rationale:</i></p>
6.0	<p>Due regard to Rural Needs (please tick all that apply)</p>
6.1	<p>Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If yes, please complete the following:</p> <p>Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed</p> <p>If no, please complete the following:</p> <p>The policy / strategy / plan / public service is not influenced by rural needs.</p>
7.0	<p>Appendices</p>
7.1	<p>Appendix 1 - Christmas Illuminations Working Group - Action Sheet – 7th April 2022</p>
8.0	<p>Background Documents</p> <p><i>This relates to meeting requirements outlined in Part 8 of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014, Access to Meetings and Documents, wherein for four years after a meeting the following must be available at the Council Offices and on the website:</i></p> <p><i>Background papers which are defined as those documents relating to the subject matter of a report which:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a) Disclose any facts or matters which in the opinion of the Chief Executive, the report or an important part of the report is based upon; and</i> <i>b) Have, in the Chief Executive's opinion, been relied upon to a material extent in preparing the report.</i> <p><i>These are documents on which the report, or an important part of the report, is based upon and have been relied upon to a material extent in preparing the report.</i></p>
8.1	<p>None</p>

Appendix 1: Action Sheet - Working Group Meeting Christmas Illuminations: 7th April 2022**Action Sheet****Working Group Meeting Christmas Illuminations: 7th April 2022**

Councillors in Attendance: Cllr J Tinnelly

Officers in Attendance: K Scullion, A Mallon, C Burns, S Burns
A Rennick, T McDonald, Admin C O'Neill

Apologies: Cllr C Mason, J Hillen, J McCann, J Ellis,

Subject	Actions and Updates	Officer Responsible
Welcome, Introduction Apologies	Cllr J Tinnelly chaired the meeting in the absence of Cllr C Mason and in line with Working Group Terms of Reference	Noted
Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.	Noted
Agenda Item 3. Review of Action Sheet 20th January 2022	<p>K Scullion advised that the Action Sheet of 20th January 2022 had been approved by the Neighbourhood Services Committee at its March meeting.</p> <p>Existing contractor AJC has been agreed for final year of tender to erect Christmas illuminations for Christmas 2022.</p> <p>Over past couple of years AJC has been asked to do additional tasks so going forward with the new tender next year we will have to consider how this flexibility can be better managed with a new contract.</p> <p>The following replacement stock is being considered for this coming year.</p> <p>Procure 27 pole mounted features for Bessbrook village.</p> <p>Procure 22 pole mounted features for Merchants Quay, Newry.</p>	Noted

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	<p>Procure 11 pole mounted features for Buttercrane Quay, Newry.</p> <p>Procure 11 pole mounted features for Sugar Island, Newry.</p> <p>Procure 10 pole mounted features for Irish Street, Downpatrick.</p> <p>Consider a Hire agreement for 5 Christmas trees.</p> <p>These proposals to be part of a Business case to be presented to NS Committee in April.</p>	
<p>Agenda Item 4 Update from Neighbourhood Services (K Scullion)</p>	<p>KS raised the issue of previous requests from Gargory & Saval for sustainable trees and Annalong & Clough requesting additional illuminations.</p> <p>A Rennick stated the Sustainable Tree Programme required applications to be from a Constituted Group and the site must be on a shared space in either Statutory ownership or in the ownership of a constituted community group (no private land).</p> <p>AR confirmed that approval was given for a Consultant to carry out a review of the Programme (on a small scale). It is anticipated this may take place in May. Following this a report can be provided to Committee on this.</p> <p>A Mallon also cautioned as more sustainable trees add to year-round workload and cost, with maintenance/watering/feeding.</p> <p>KS advised that H Harvey MLA had enquired as to more festive decorations to the Market House in Ballynahinch but KS anticipates that the new proposed Artificial Tree may be sufficient.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

Appendix 1: Action Sheet - Working Group Meeting Christmas Illuminations: 7th April 2022

Update from ERT (A Patterson)	ERT were not represented at the meeting	
Update from Community Engagement (A Rennick)	The Working Group recommended that the call for "Christmas Illuminations and Events" this year will go out around June as this allows time for assessments & Letters of Offers to be dealt with in a timely manner. The budget hasn't been advised yet but last year it was up to £2,500 per applicant.	
Any Other Business	No other business	
Date of next Meetings	Thursday 7 th July 2022 14:00 – 15:00 This meeting is to be moved to Thursday 30 th June 2022 followed by Thursday 6 th October 2022 14:00 – 15:00	

Report to:	Neighbourhood Services (NS) Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 May 2022
Subject:	Fleet Replacement Programme Update
Reporting Officer:	Sinead Murphy, Acting Assistant Director Waste Management
Contact Officers:	Sinead Murphy, Acting Assistant Director Waste Management

For Decision	For Noting Only	X																				
1.0	Purpose & Background																					
1.1	<p>The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the progress made to deliver new vehicles to meet the needs of Service users through the Fleet Replacement programme. Business case approval has been secured to replace a number of existing service vehicles identified as requiring priority replacement by 31st March 2023.</p> <p>Following approval by SMT in September 2021, additional resources were released from the Garage at Strangford Road to enable progress of the Fleet Replacement programme in line with the Council's Procurement Policy and Corporate Governance.</p>																					
2.0	Key Issues																					
2.1	<p>Following the identification of an initial batch of 75 vehicles for priority replacement (all of the vehicles having exceeded their economic lives) at an estimated value of £7.4 million, specifications for replacement vehicles were completed in consultation with service users and the appropriate business cases were approved.</p> <p>Vehicles were procured through a series of six mini-competitions through the Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation (YPO) Framework. The first three lots were advertised in December 2021 with the remaining three published in January 2022. All the tender returns were received in late January and February 2022 and awards were made by the end of March 2022.</p>																					
2.2	<p>Orders, as summarised in the table below, were placed with preferred suppliers in April 2022. Appendix 1 details, by YPO Tender Lot, each vehicle to be replaced with estimated delivery time. This ranges from 16 to 78 weeks.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Lot</th> <th>Vehicle Type</th> <th>Number</th> <th>Estimated Delivery</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>3.5T Medium Chassis Vehicles</td> <td>7</td> <td>47 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>5/6T Medium Chassis Vehicles</td> <td>24</td> <td>56-78 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>12T/26T/32T Refuse Collection Vehicles</td> <td>30</td> <td>28-56 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>7.5T Beavertail Vehicles</td> <td>2</td> <td>59 weeks</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Lot	Vehicle Type	Number	Estimated Delivery	1	3.5T Medium Chassis Vehicles	7	47 weeks	2	5/6T Medium Chassis Vehicles	24	56-78 weeks	3	12T/26T/32T Refuse Collection Vehicles	30	28-56 weeks	4	7.5T Beavertail Vehicles	2	59 weeks
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	5	Compact 2.5T/4.5T/7.5T /12T Sweeper vehicles	10	16-52 weeks
	6	Mule Vehicles	2	No returns
	No tender returns were received for the mule vehicles. An alternative competition will commence for the procurement of these vehicles.			
2.3	Following business case approval at the April 2022 NS Committee meeting, the procurement of three Hook Lift vehicles through the preferred Yorkshire Purchasing Organisation (YPO) Framework will be next to commence.			
2.4	<p>Work is continuing in identifying the next set of vehicles that are in excess of their economic life; of the 40 vehicles identified to date approximately half are small vans. Specifications have been drafted for the small vans to be procured with either diesel or electric as the main power source. The exact number of each is still being determined. Appropriate Business Cases will be brought to the Neighbourhood Services Committee for approval in due course.</p> <p>Ultimately the objective is to ensure on an ongoing basis that the Councils Fleet is maintained in good condition and that capital expenditure is equalised out over the life of the Fleet Replacement Programme.</p>			
3.0	Recommendations			
3.1	Members are asked to note the contents of the report.			
4.0	<u>Resource Implications</u>			
4.1	No additional resources are associated with this report.			
5.0	Due regard to equality of opportunity and regard to good relations (complete the relevant sections)			
5.1	<i>General proposal with no clearly defined impact upon, or connection to, specific equality and good relations outcomes</i>			
	It is not anticipated the proposal will have an adverse impact upon equality of opportunity or good relations			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	If yes, please complete the following:			
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	<i>Rationale:</i>	
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6.1	Proposal relates to developing, adopting, implementing or revising a policy / strategy / plan / designing and/or delivering a public service Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If yes, please complete the following:	
	Rural Needs Impact Assessment completed	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.0	Appendices	
8.1	Appendix 1 – Vehicle Replacement Schedule	
9.0	Background Documents	
9.1	None	

Appendix 1 – Vehicle Replacement Schedule

YPO Tenders (Bundle/Lot)	REG NO.	MAKE & MODEL	YEAR OF REG.	Anticipated replacement (weeks)
1_1	OJZ 1647	Ford Transit NW 350	2008	47
1_1	OJZ 1648	Ford Transit NW 350	2008	47
1_1	VKZ 7681	*Renault Traffic SWB S127dci	2008	47
1_2	MJZ 3134	crew cab cage tipper	2007	47
1_3	UJZ 6403	Iveco Daily 35S11	2013	47
1_3	MJZ 3135	Iveco Daily Med Van	2007	47
1_3	FJZ 7713	DAF Tipper	2003	47
1_3	*Perm hire	Luton body van	-	47
1_4	LJZ 1811	*Iveco Daily 35C12CH	2006	47
2_1	IJZ 5494	Iveco Daily Model 50C13	2005	78
2_1	OJZ 1328	Iveco Daily Model 50c 15	2008	78
2_1	WJZ 3007	Iveco Crew Cab	2014	78
2_1	WJZ 3008	Iveco Crew Cab	2014	78
2_1	WJZ 3009	Iveco Crew Cab	2014	78
2_1	WJZ 3011	Iveco Crew Cab	2014	78
2_1	FJZ 7762	Iveco Daily C-Cab Tipper 50C13	2003	78
2_1	OJZ 3864	Iveco 5T Tipper Crew - Grounds	2008	78
2_1	PJZ 1602	Iveco 5T Tipper Crew - Grounds	2009	78
2_1	GJZ 8700	Iveco daily crew cab	2004	78
2_1	IJZ 5046	Iveco daily crew cab 35C15	2005	78
2_2	IJZ 5499	Iveco Daily Model 50C13	2005	70
2_2	MJZ 6989	Iveco Guigaro Chassis Cab with Dropside body	2007	70
2_2	MJZ 6990	Iveco Guigaro Chassis Cab with Dropside body	2007	70
2_2	GJZ 7350	Iveco Daily Crew Cab	2004	70
2_2	OJZ 3865	Iveco 5T Crewcab	2008	70
2_2	OJZ 3866	Iveco 5T Crewcab + HIAB	2008	70
2_3	PJZ 4062	Crew Cage Litter	2009	56
2_4	PJZ 4063	Crew Cage Litter	2009	61
2_4	VJZ 5189	Crew Cage Litter	2014	61
2_4	OJZ 7183	Renault Mascot ISO DXI	2008	61
2_5	HJZ 6372	Iveco 5T Beavetail - Grounds	2004	61
2_5	LJZ 1812	Iveco 5T Beavetail - Grounds	2006	61
2_5	PJZ 4061	Iveco 5T Beavetail	2009	61
3_1	JXZ 3328	ISUZU Macpack	2016	50
3_1	KXZ 3519	Isuzu Macpack	2017	50
3_1	UJZ 3578	Isuzu Macpac rvc	2012	50
3_1	VJZ 9083	Isuzu Macpac	2014	50

3_1	SJZ 4061	Iveco Flat Back rvc	2011	50
3_1	TJZ 7520	Farid Body on DAF	2012	50
3_1	*Perm hire	Compact RCV	-	50
3_2	BV58 OUK	Mercedes RVC	2008	56
3_2	NJZ 5187	Mercedes - RCV	2008	56
3_2	PJZ 2755	Mercedes - RCV	2009	56
3_2	RJZ 7101	Mercedes Econic	2010	56
3_2	SHZ 6053	Mercedes - RCV	2014	56
3_2	SJZ 3403	Mercedes - RCV	2011	56
3_2	SJZ 3488	Mercedes - RCV	2011	56
3_2	SJZ 4057	Dennis Elite EURO 5	2011	56
3_2	SJZ 4058	Dennis Elite EURO 5	2011	56
3_2	TJZ 6559	Dennis Elite EURO 5	2012	56
3_2	UJZ 5984	Mercedes - RCV	2013	56
3_2	UJZ 5985	Mercedes - RCV	2013	56
3_2	VJZ 5742	DENNIS ELITE	2013	56
3_2	VJZ 5743	DENNIS ELITE	2013	56
3_2	WJZ 3917	Mercedes - RCV	2014	56
3_2	WJZ 9922	26T Mercedes Benz Econic	2015	56
3_2	WJZ 9923	26T Mercedes Benz Econic	2015	56
3_2	WJZ 9924	26T Mercedes Benz Econic	2015	56
3_2	WJZ 9925	26T Mercedes Benz Econic	2015	56
3_3	WJZ 9921	26T Mercedes Benz Econic**	2015	28
3_3	MJZ 5708	Mercedes Econic with Phoenix Body	2007	28
3_3	UJZ 7894	Mercedes Benz Econic	2013	28
3_3	VJZ 9349	Dennis Elite RCV	2014	28
4_1	TFZ 2261	Iveco Daily 50c15 Crew Cab	2014	59
4_1	MJZ 3133	Iveco 5T Crewcab + HIAB	2007	59
5_1	HXZ 2738	Hako Citymaster HC 1250	2015	24
5_2	VJZ 7682	Schmidt Swingo Compact Road Sweeper	2014	16
5_2	VJZ 7683	Schmidt Swingo Compact Road Sweeper	2014	16
5_3	HXZ 4195	Johnston Sweeper	2015	52
5_3	SJZ 5903	Mechanical Road Sweeping Vehicle	2011	52
5_3	NFZ 4837	Johnson GX201	2013	52
5_4	SJZ 4065	Dual Sweep Street Cleansing Vehicle	2011	52
5_4	TJZ 4916	Jonston Dual Sweep DAF LF	2012	52
5_4	MJZ8378	Scrab Sweeper	2007	52

Key:

* Permanent Hires

**Insurance write off due to Road Traffic Accident

ITEM 3
ARC21 JOINT COMMITTEE
Virtual Meeting No 067
MINUTES
Thursday 31 March 2022

Members Present:

Councillor A Bennington	Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council
Councillor M Goodman (<i>Deputy Chair</i>)	Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council
Councillor R Kinnear	Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council
Alderman A Carson	Ards & North Down Borough Council
Alderman D Drysdale (<i>Chair</i>)	Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council
Councillor S Lee	Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council
Councillor D Reid	Mid & East Antrim Borough Council
Councillor D Murphy	Newry, Mourne & Down District Council
Councillor K Owen	Newry, Mourne & Down District Council

Members' Apologies:

Alderman R Gibson	Ards & North Down Borough Council
Alderman A McDowell	Ards & North Down Borough Council
Councillor F Ferguson	Belfast City Council
Councillor JJ Magee	Belfast City Council
Councillor P McReynolds	Belfast City Council
Councillor M Gregg	Lisburn & Castlereagh City Council
Alderman R Cherry	Mid & East Antrim Borough Council
Councillor I Friary	Mid & East Antrim Borough Council
Councillor R Burgess	Newry, Mourne & Down District Council

Officers Present:

T Walker	arc21
K Boal	arc21
H Campbell	arc21
J Green	arc21
M Laverty	Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council
D Lindsay	Ards & North Down Borough Council
N Martin	Ards & North Down Borough Council
C Matthews	Belfast City Council
B Murray	Belfast City Council
H Moore	Lisburn & Castlereagh Borough Council
W Muldrew	Lisburn & Castlereagh Borough Council
N O'Malley	Lisburn & Castlereagh Borough Council
S Holgate	Mid & East Antrim Borough Council

Officers' Apologies:

G Craig	arc21
G Girvan	Antrim & Newtownabbey Borough Council
P Thompson	Mid & East Antrim Borough Council
J McBride	Newry, Mourne & Down District Council

Item 1 - Conflicts of Interest Statement

The Chair read out the Conflicts of Interest Statement. There were no conflicts noted.

Action: Noted

Item 2 - Apologies

Apologies were noted.

Action: Noted

Item 3 - Minutes of Special Joint Committee Meeting 066 held on 24 February 2022

Following discussion, the Joint Committee approved the minutes of the Joint Committee meeting 066 held on 24 February 2022.

Action: Agreed

Item 4 - Matters Arising

Mandatory digital waste tracking consultation - discussed under item 11 of the agenda.

Action: Noted

Item 5 - Contracts & Operations Briefing Report

Ms Boal provided an update on operational matters affecting several contractors, including continued cases of covid-19 impacting operations, however no impact on services was noted.

She noted that the health and safety audits were now coming to completion for all of the contracts with only a few minor issues noted.

The recent strike action was discussed which had impacted the tonnage being received at the sites and she noted that contractors are preparing for expected Christmas levels over the next two-week cycle with extra shifts required and it is likely that they will be looking at recouping any costs incurred. arc21 are working with contractors and councils to minimise any impact.

The performance tables were discussed including the number of loads coming in for each contract and some issues noted with overweight vehicles, in particular organics. Issues also with turnaround tonnages. There were no rejected loads to any of the facilities but it was noted that there were gas canisters coming into the MRF which was extremely dangerous and councils were asked to be aware of this and to raise awareness of these types of hazardous items in their communication with householders.

It was noted that tonnage levels had decreased across the contracts but will be kept an eye on.

Ms Boal noted that there were no supply orders in February but we are expecting to receive a number of price increases due to transportation and material costs and that we will continue to manage this.

Following this exchange the Joint Committee noted the report.

Action: Noted

IN COMMITTEE

The Chair recommended that the meeting would now move "in committee" which was agreed.

Matters of a confidential and commercially sensitive nature were discussed under these agenda items.

Following discussion on the commercially sensitive matters, the Chair recommended that the meeting would now return to the main agenda, which was approved, but whilst *"in committee"* during this section of the meeting, there were five matters discussed.

Item 6 - Minutes of Joint Committee Meeting 066 held on 24 February 2022 'in committee'	Action: Agreed
Item 7 - Matters Arising	Action: Noted
Item 8 - Residual Waste Treatment Project including Minister Mallon's decision on the Residual Waste Treatment Plant	Action: Noted
Item 9 - General Communications including Public Relations	Action: Noted
Item 10 - Commercially Sensitive Contract and Procurement Issues	Action: Agreed

OUT OF COMMITTEE

Item 11 - Consultation Response – Introduction of Mandatory Digital Waste Tracking

Ms Boal presented the proposed arc21 response for consideration.

She reported on the interaction which had taken place with the Councils prior to developing the response and noted several key areas where councils are likely to be impacted. She noted that a special meeting had been held with council officers to consider the implications of the proposals in relation to the introduction of digital waste tracking and the views expressed at the meeting had been captured in the response presented to the Committee for consideration.

In terms of the key aspects that will affect councils' collections, she reported that those from commercial premises will need a unique identifier to be recorded so systems will need to be put in place to capture the data, but collections from householders at the kerbside wouldn't. In terms of waste brought to councils' recycling centres, it appears that all waste is required to be issued with a unique reference. This has significant implications for councils including how this is introduced and managed, and the response as prepared seeks to highlight that the benefits are unclear and that while councils are in a unique position in managing wastes, they should only have to monitor and report on this waste as it proceeds to the next stage of being (re) processed.

Ms Boal noted her concerns at the proposed IT system as local authorities currently use WasteDataFlow to track our information on a quarterly basis and this is how the recycling figures, biodegradable waste to landfill etc are derived. Under the proposals, this system would no longer be used with all data being captured in the new waste tracking IT system. This system is under development so it is unclear what functionality it will have, particularly in terms of the reporting data collectively to measure performance. She noted that councils would need to introduce their own IT systems and ensure that the data collected matched the new systems requirements and could be transferred.

She reported that one of the key considerations in terms of cost within the consultation were the costs which Government anticipated would flow to councils as a result of not having to expend the current levels of resources inputting to WasteDataFlow but, as there is likely to be considerable data input etc, particularly in the short term, this appears to be unlikely to be realised until councils have better sight of the systems and how it would dovetail in with existing arrangements.

Ms Boal noted that from a regulatory point of view of where the waste ends up there will be a better degree of surety to an extent, but how far this can be followed down the waste supply chain is unclear.

Councils were asked to provide any comments by Wednesday 6 April in order for the report to be finalised and submitted by the deadline of 15 April.

Action: Agreed

Item 12 - AOB

Options for the treatment of residual waste - a Member suggested that it would be beneficial if arc21 could provide the Committee with a broader view of what is going on in relation to waste incineration including both the positive and negative options for the treatment of residual waste and what is going on in the industry. A potential arc21 conference on this was also suggested for consideration later in the year.

Action: Noted

Virtual meetings - Mr Walker advised that the legislation for holding virtual committee meetings had been extended to 24 September 2022. Members discussed the potential for holding hybrid meetings in the future and it was agreed that this should be discussed further at the next meeting.

Action: Agreed

Item 13 - Next Meeting

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and advised that the next Joint Committee meeting would be held as scheduled on Thursday 28 April 2022 commencing at 10.30am.

Action: Noted

Item 14 - In Committee - Restricted Item for the Joint Committee Members only

At this point Alderman Drysdale asked that Members go in committee and requested that Officers leave the meeting.

Date: _____

Chairman: _____

Northern Ireland Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste Management Statistics

Quarterly provisional estimates for October to December 2021

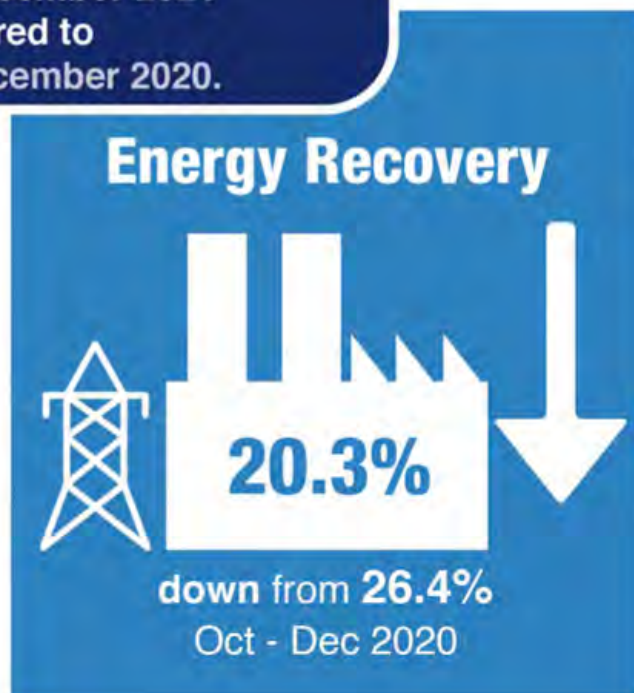
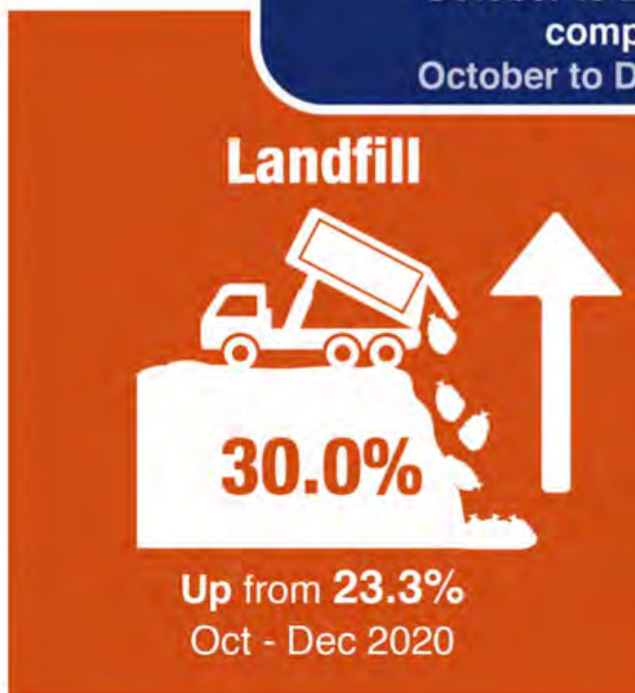


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Northern Ireland waste management statistics – October to December 2021



Recycling, energy recovery and landfill rates of LAC municipal waste
October to December 2021
compared to
October to December 2020.



Key Points

- Northern Ireland's councils collected 244,715 tonnes of waste during October to December 2021, a 4.4 per cent decrease compared to October to December 2020.
- During October to December 2021, 47.7 per cent of waste collected by councils was sent for recycling, similar to the recycling rate for October to December 2020.
- The landfill rate for waste collected by councils was 30.0 per cent in October to December 2021, a fall from 75.4 per cent in October to December 2006, but higher than the 23.3 per cent recorded during October to December 2020.
- Just over a fifth (20.3 per cent) of waste arisings were sent for energy recovery in October to December 2021, lower than the 26.4 per cent reported in October to December 2020, but an increase from the 0.5 per cent rate during the same quarter in 2009.
- Household waste accounted for 88.3 per cent of all waste collected during this period.
- The recycling rate for household waste was 48.4 per cent, similar to 48.0 per cent in October to December 2020. The landfill rate for household waste was 29.2 per cent in October to December 2021, an increase from 23.0 per cent recorded during the same quarter of 2020.

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Purpose

This is a quarterly publication which reports provisional statistics on the key measurements of local authority collected municipal waste for councils and waste management groups in Northern Ireland.

The data contained are used by local authorities, waste management groups, Devolved Administrations, UK Government and the EU to measure progress towards achieving targets from various waste strategies including:

- The revised Northern Ireland Waste Management Strategy
- The Waste Framework Directive

Data on household recycling was a population indicator for the previous Programme for Government (PfG) and has been proposed as an indicator in the forthcoming PfG.

The data are also used by media, the general public and special interest groups to inform policy and lifestyle choices related to the treatment of waste.

Further details are available in [Appendix 1 – Main Uses of Data](#) of the Annual Report.

Next Updates

- Provisional statistics for January to March 2022 are scheduled for publication in July 2022.
- Finalised data for 2021/22 are scheduled to be published in November 2022 and will supersede previously published data from the four quarterly returns for that financial year.
- The scheduled dates for all upcoming publications are available from the GOV.UK statistics release calendar: www.gov.uk/search/research-and-statistics

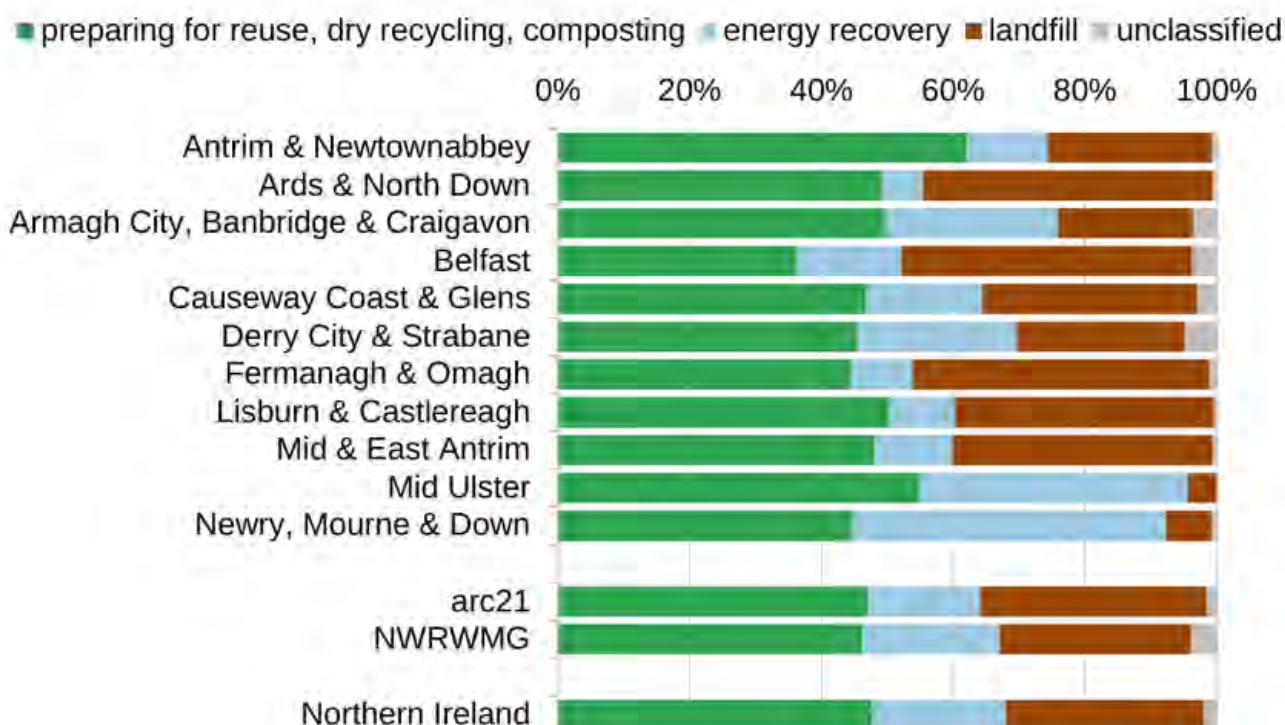
Overview

This report presents information on the quantities of local authority collected municipal waste managed in Northern Ireland between October and December 2021. The report is split into four sections, each of which cover local authority collected (LAC) municipal waste and, where appropriate, household waste:

- waste arisings (pages 2-3),
- recycling (pages 4-5),
- energy recovery (pages 6-7),
- landfill (pages 8-10).

Figure 1: Waste preparing for reuse, dry recycling, composting, energy recovery and landfill rates by council and waste management group

Northern Ireland, October to December 2021



At the Northern Ireland level, 47.7 per cent of waste collected by councils was sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting between October and December 2021. Energy recovery accounted for 20.3 per cent and 30.0 per cent was landfilled. The remaining 2.0 per cent unaccounted for is likely to involve moisture and/or gaseous losses. Each of the rates are discussed in detail in the appropriate section of the report.

The rate of waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting was similar to that reported in October to December 2020. The energy recovery rate decreased by 6.1 percentage points and the landfill rate increased by 6.7 percentage points compared to October to December 2020. Household waste accounted for 88.3 per cent of total waste collected by councils. Household waste includes materials collected directly from households via kerbside collections, material taken to bring sites and civic amenity sites as well as several other smaller sources.

Waste arisings

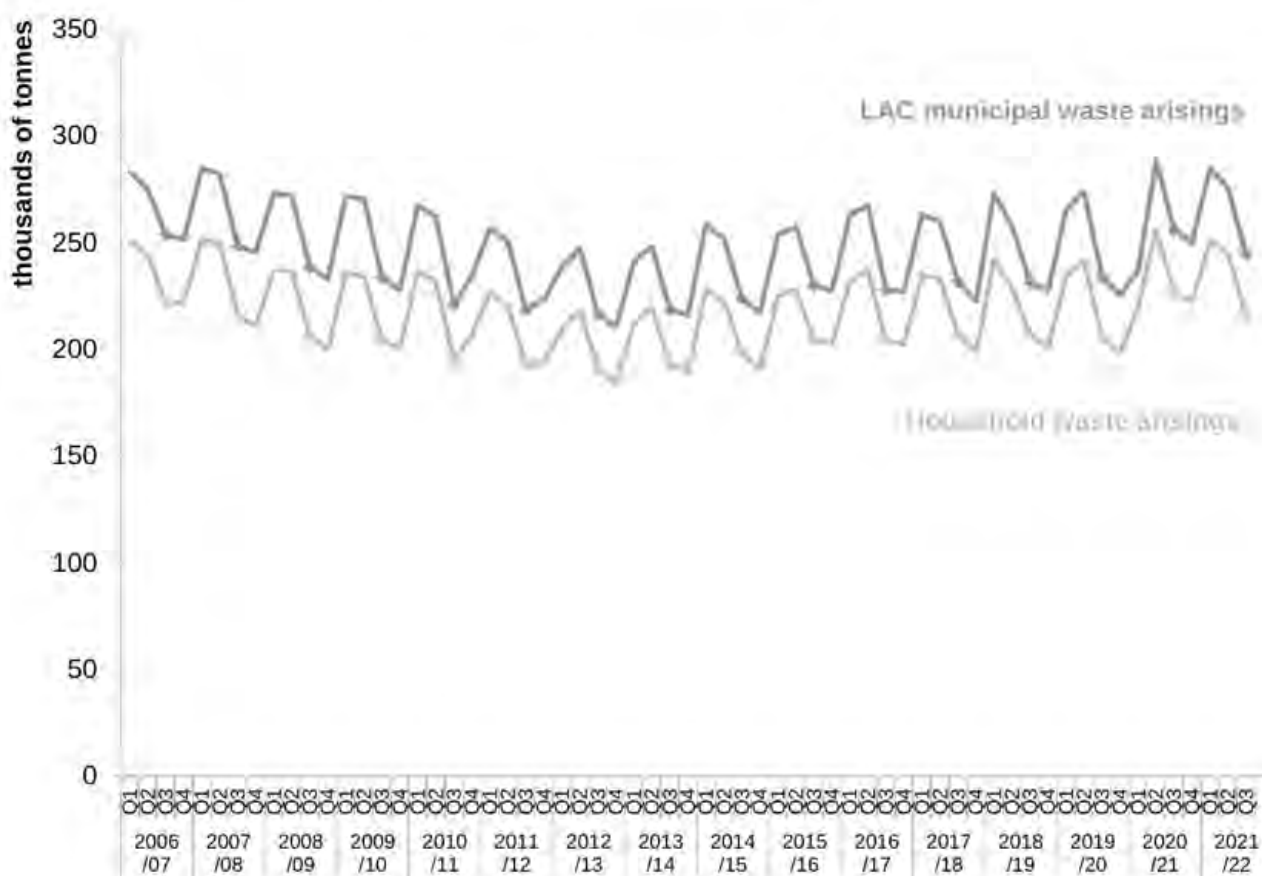
Northern Ireland's councils collected 244,715 tonnes of waste between October and December 2021. This was 4.4 per cent lower than the 255,973 tonnes collected during October to December 2020. During October to December 2020, Covid-19 restrictions and advice pertaining during the period contributed to the highest tonnage of waste ever collected during this quarter, with many people continuing to work from home. This peak contributed to the reduction in waste arisings recorded during October to December 2021.

The total quantity of local authority collected (LAC) municipal waste arisings is a key performance indicator, KPI (j). This indicator is used to monitor performance under the Local Government (Performance Indicators and Standards) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015.

Since 2006/07 household waste has accounted for 86-90 per cent of total waste collected by councils each quarter, apart from April to June 2020 when Covid-19 restrictions resulted in a larger than normal proportion of household waste being collected. During October to December 2021 household waste accounted for 88.3 per cent. The remaining 11.7 per cent was non-household waste such as rubble/soil and commercial/industrial waste.

Figure 2: Waste arisings

Northern Ireland, quarterly from 2006/07 to 2021/22 KPI (j)

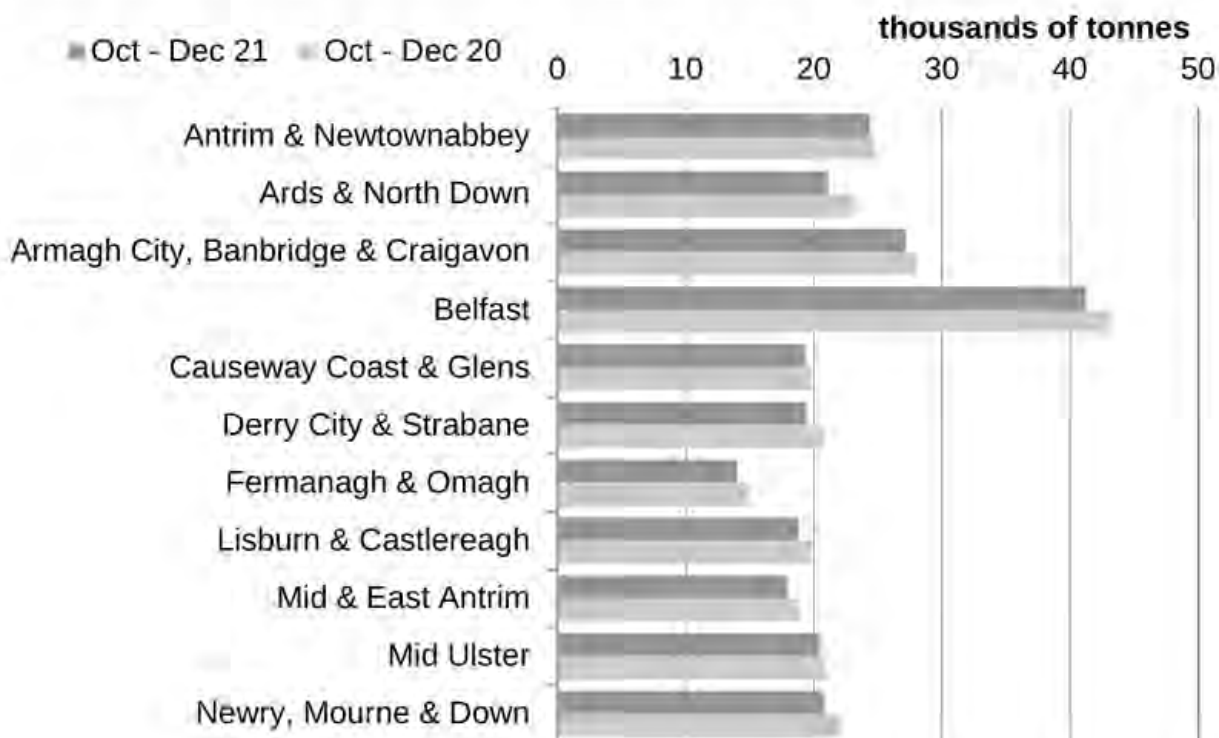


The longer term trend for October to December saw a gradual reduction in waste arisings of 14.6 per cent across six years, from a high of 253,956 tonnes between October and December 2006 to a low of 216,987 tonnes between the same three months of 2012.

Since 2012, arisings have generally shown an increasing trend in the October to December quarters.

Figure 3: Waste arisings by council

Northern Ireland, October to December 2020 and October to December 2021, KPI (j)



The proportion of waste collected by each council broadly reflects the population within the councils. Belfast collected the most waste at 41,228 tonnes, whilst Fermanagh and Omagh collected the least at 14,033 tonnes.

All councils reported a decrease in total arisings in October to December 2021 compared to the same period in 2020, with the largest decrease recorded in Ards & North Down at 9.1 per cent. The quantity of waste collected at kerbside and civic amenity sites fell by 2.1 and 9.7 per cent respectively compared to October to December 2020.

These statistics can be found in Table 1 accompanying data tables spreadsheet and in the [time series dataset](#).

Recycling

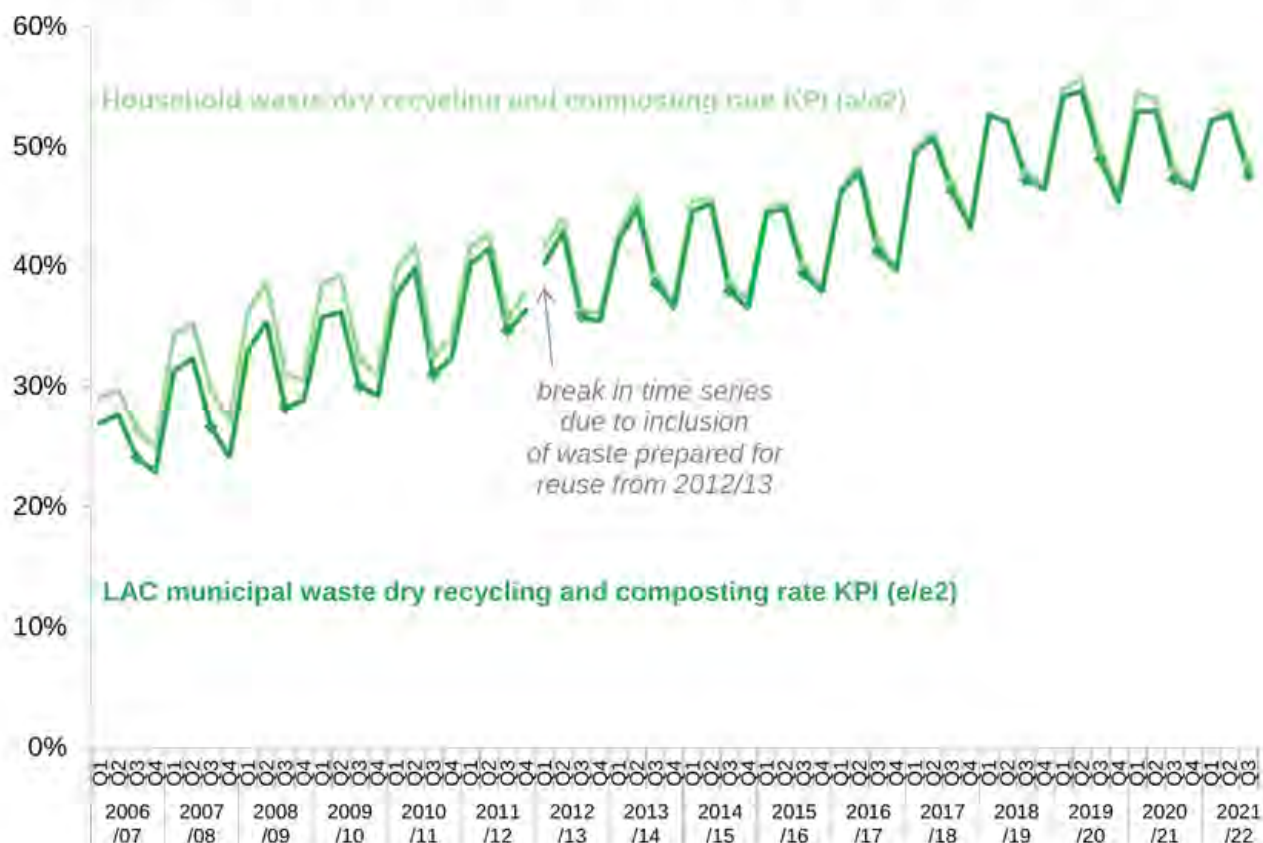
This section of the report looks at local authority collected (LAC) municipal waste and household waste recycling rates, both of which include waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting.

There were 116,633 tonnes of waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting (referred to as 'recycling' for the rest of this section) between October and December 2021. The waste recycling rate was 47.7 per cent. This was similar to the 47.3 per cent of waste sent for recycling between October and December 2020.

The recycling rate for household waste only was 48.4 per cent between October and December 2021, similar to the 48.0 per cent recorded during the same three months of 2020. The proportion of household waste sent for dry recycling made up 23.8 per cent, composting 24.4 per cent and preparing for reuse 0.2 per cent. Last year the equivalent rate for preparing for reuse was 0.3 per cent, whilst the dry recycling and composting rates were 25.2 per cent and 22.6 per cent respectively.

Waste sent for recycling is included in a number of key performance indicators, KPI (a), (a2), (e), and (e2). These indicators are used to monitor performance under the Local Government (Performance Indicators and Standards) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015. The household waste annual recycling rate was a population indicator for [Programme for Government \(PfG\) 2016-2021](#) and is being proposed as an indicator for the next PfG.

Figure 4: Waste sent for preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting
Northern Ireland, quarterly from 2006/07 to 2021/22, KPIs (a), (a2), (e) and (e2)

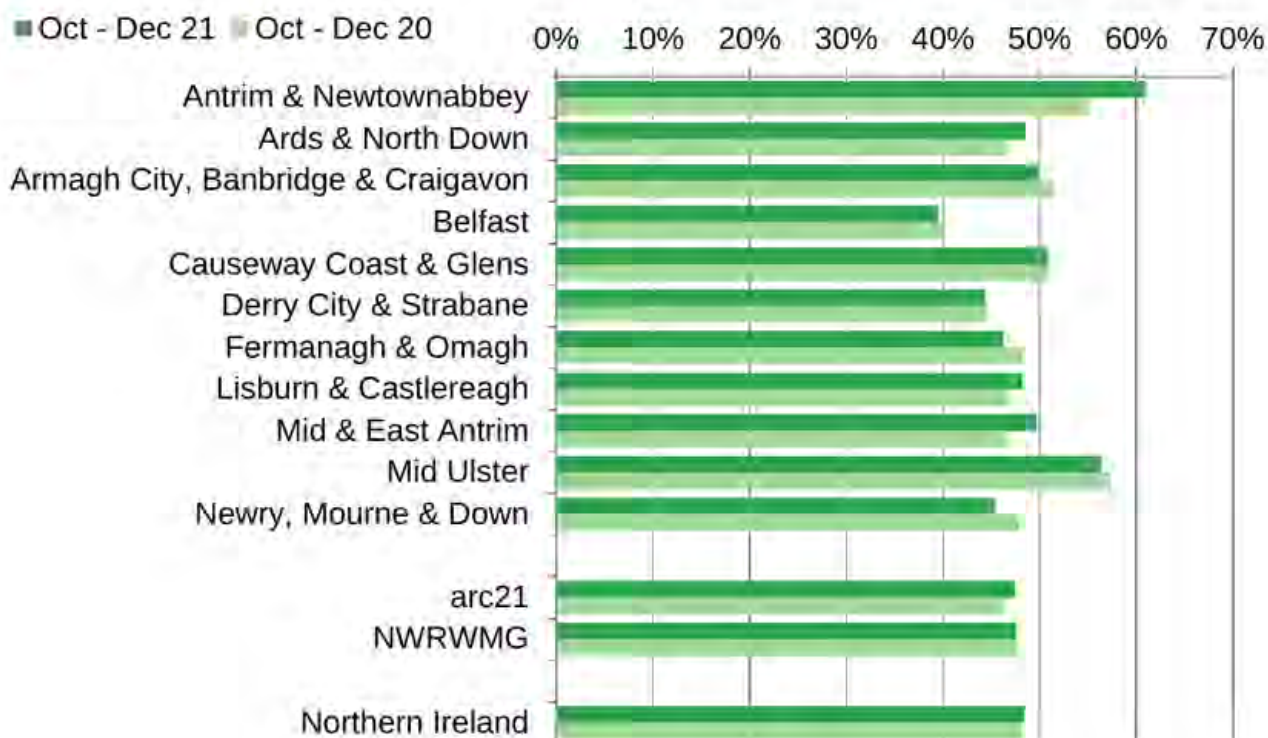


These statistics show seasonal variation which is driven by the quantities of garden waste sent for composting. Greater quantities of garden waste are collected and sent for composting during the spring and summer quarters, April to June and July to September.

The longer term trend for this quarter has been a steady increase from 26.5 per cent in October to December 2006 to 48.4 per cent in October to December 2021. Waste sent for preparing for reuse (522 tonnes this quarter) has been included since 2012/13 and adds 0.2 percentage points to the overall household recycling rate in October to December 2021.

Figure 5: Household waste preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting rate by council and waste management group

Northern Ireland, October to December 2020 and October to December 2021, KPI (a2)



Newry, Mourne & Down reported the largest decrease in their household recycling rate compared to October to December 2020 at 2.5 percentage points, with a decrease in waste sent for dry recycling the largest contributing factor in this fall. Three other councils reported decreases in their household recycling rates, whilst the rate increased in four council areas, the largest of which was recorded in Antrim & Newtownabbey at 5.8 percentage points. Belfast, Causeway Coast & Glens and Derry City & Strabane reported similar rates to those in October to December 2020.

These statistics can be found in Tables 4 and 12 of the accompanying data tables spreadsheet and in the [time series dataset](#).

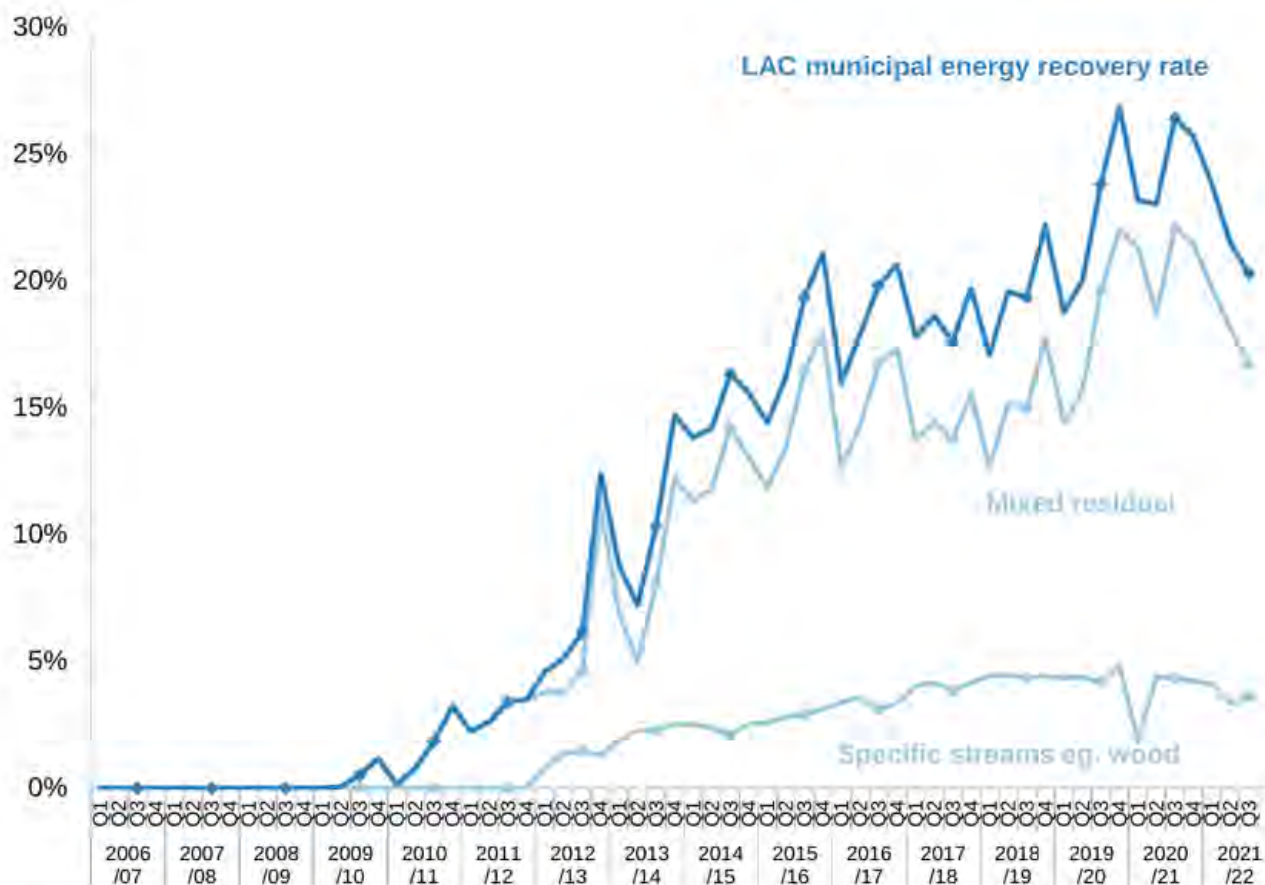
Energy recovery

This quarterly report includes statistics on energy recovery, which is the term used when value is gained from waste products by converting them into energy. All energy recovery statistics reported in this section are derived from material sent for energy recovery via incineration, although other technologies exist. Energy recovery via anaerobic digestion is not included in this section and is explained further in [Appendix 1 – Limitations of Data](#) of the latest Annual Report.

Between October and December 2021, 49,665 tonnes of waste arisings were sent for energy recovery. This produced a waste energy recovery rate of 20.3 per cent, lower than the 26.4 per cent rate reported for the same period in 2020. For each period, the majority of energy recovery was from mixed residual waste, with a smaller proportion from specific streams, e.g. wood.

Figure 6: Waste sent for energy recovery via incineration

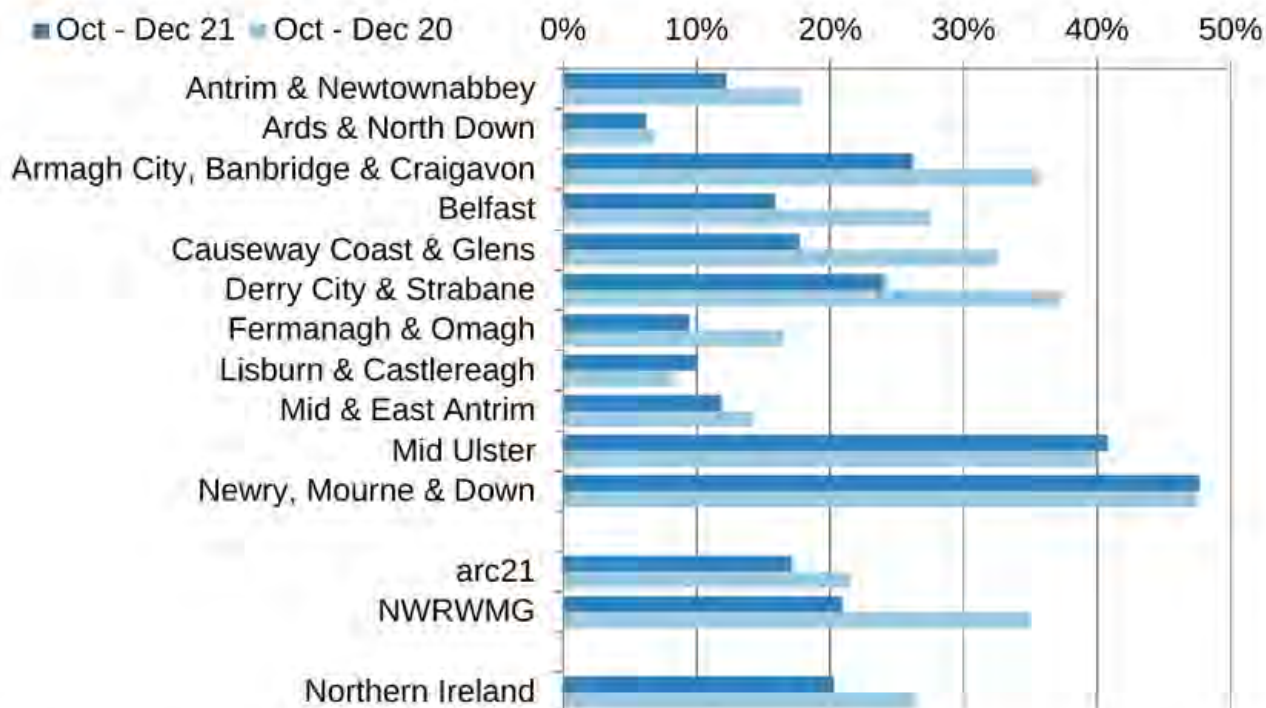
Northern Ireland, quarterly from 2006/07 to 2021/22



There was zero, or very small quantities, of waste sent for energy recovery before 2009/10. Strong growth began during 2009/10 with the energy recovery rate increasing from 0.5 per cent during October to December 2009 to a high of 26.4 per cent for the same three months of 2020. The rate fell by 6.1 percentage points in October to December 2021. Most of the growth since 2010/11 has been driven by mixed residual waste sent for energy recovery (from 0.5 per cent during October to December 2009 to 16.7 per cent in October to December 2021). The specific stream proportion was 3.6 per cent in October to December 2021.

Mixed residual waste sent for energy recovery is combustible residual waste collected from the kerbside and from civic amenity sites which is processed into refuse derived fuel at material recovery facilities. The specific streams element of energy recovery is mostly wood but also includes furniture, carpets and mattresses, mostly collected from civic amenity sites.

Figure 7: Waste energy recovery rate by council and waste management group
Northern Ireland, October to December 2020 and October to December 2021



The highest waste energy recovery rate was recorded in Newry, Mourne & Down at 47.6 per cent, whilst the lowest was recorded in Ards & North Down at 6.2 per cent. Large decreases in the waste energy recovery rate were recorded in a number of councils, the largest of which were in Causeway Coast & Glens and Derry City & Strabane at 14.9 and 13.2 percentage points respectively.

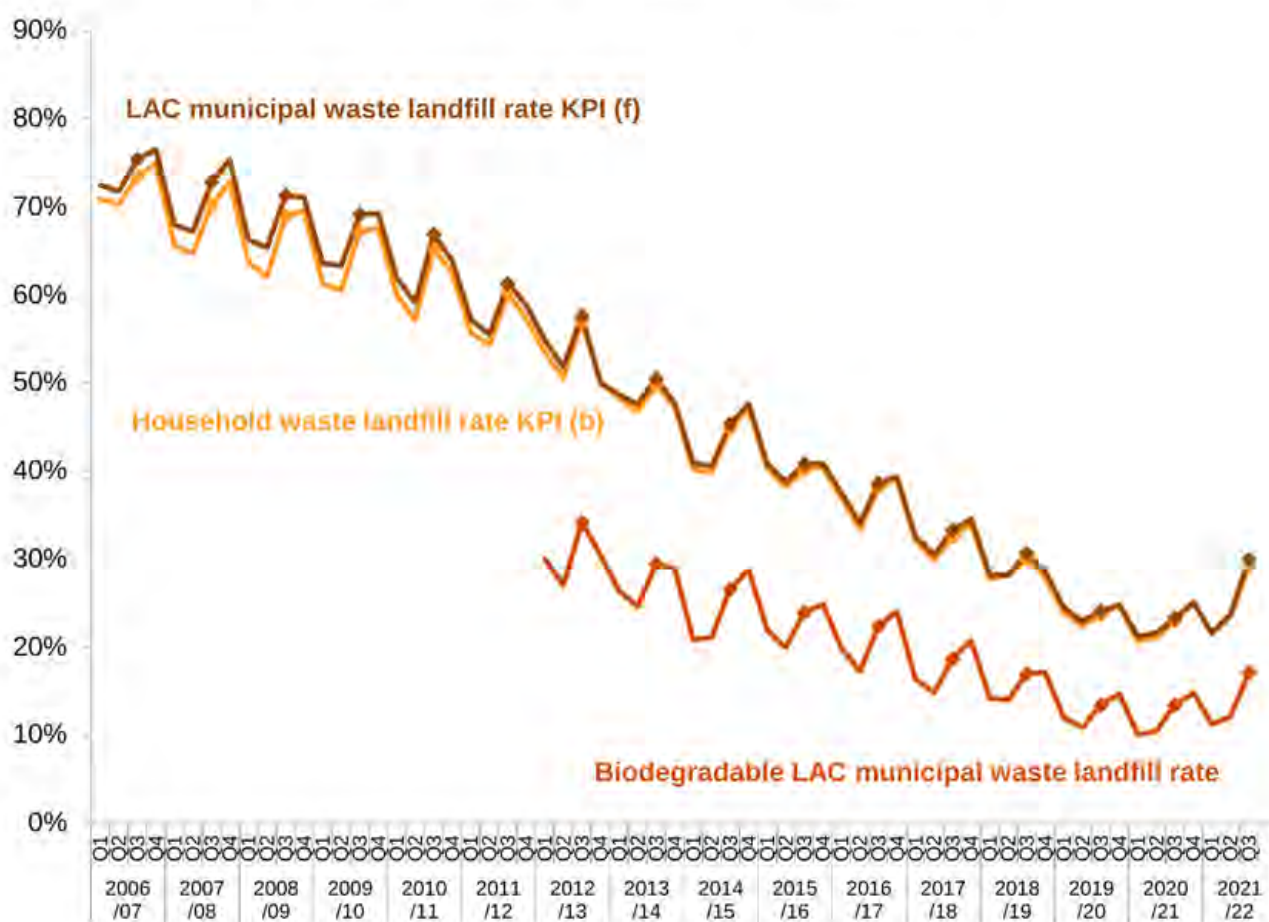
These statistics can be found in Tables 3 and 4 of the accompanying data tables spreadsheet and in the [time series dataset](#).

Landfill

The quantity of LAC municipal waste sent to landfill increased by 22.9 per cent, from 59,733 tonnes during October to December 2020 to 73,438 tonnes between October and December 2021. This gave a quarterly landfill rate of 30.0 per cent, higher than the 23.3 per cent recorded during the same quarter of 2020. The latest quarterly landfill rate for household waste only is 29.2 per cent, an increase of 6.2 percentage points on the same three months of 2020.

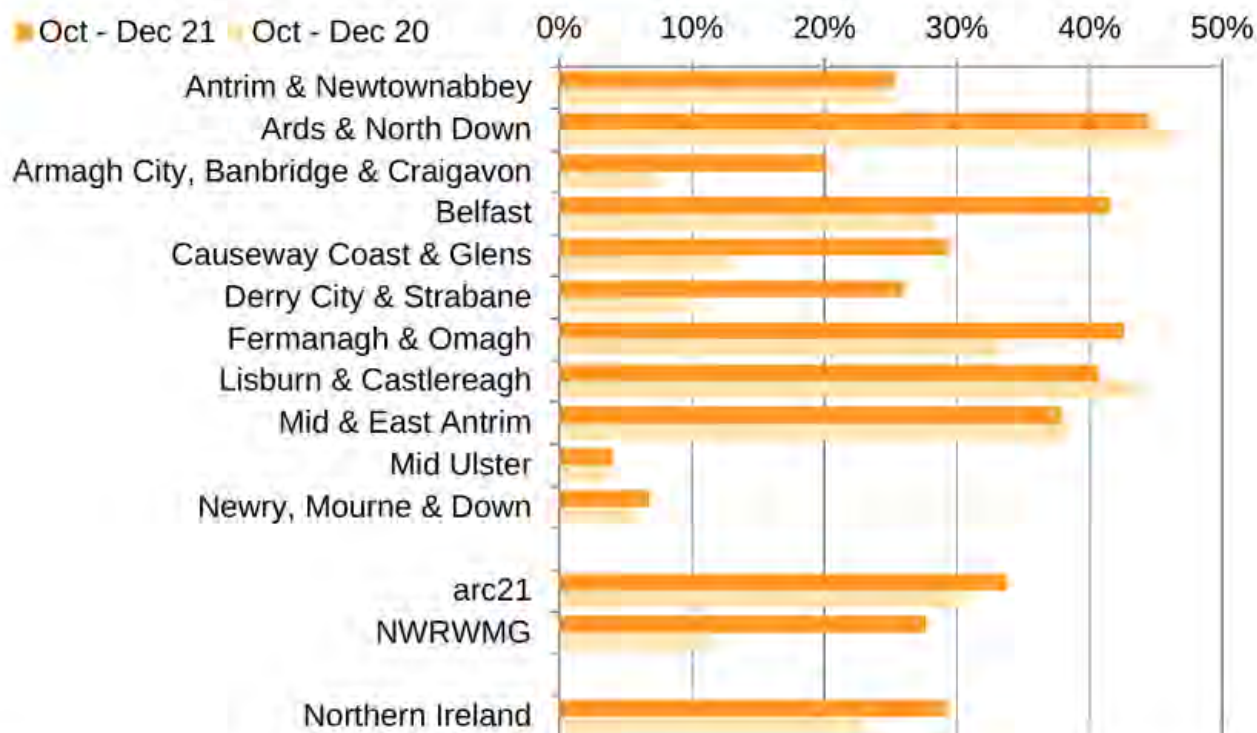
Figure 8: Waste sent to landfill

Northern Ireland, quarterly from 2006/07 to 2021/22, KPIs (b) and (f)



The long term trend has seen the October to December household waste landfill rate fall from 73.5 per cent in 2006 to a low of 23.0 per cent in 2020. The 6.2 percentage point increase in October to December 2021 is the first time the household waste landfill rate has increased for this quarter during this time series. Note that the landfill rate exhibits seasonality and the April to June and July to September quarters tend to have lower rates than October to December and January to March. The seasonality stems from the higher level of compostable garden waste arising during spring and summer.

Figure 9: Household waste landfilled by council and waste management group
Northern Ireland, October to December 2020 and October to December 2021, KPI (b)



The household waste landfill rate increased for six councils in October to December 2021 compared to the same three months in 2020, with Causeway Coast & Glens and Derry City & Strabane reporting increases of 16.5 and 15.9 percentage points respectively. A reduction in waste sent for energy recovery was the main contributing factor for these increases. Two councils reported similar household waste landfill rates to October to December 2020, whilst Lisburn & Castlereagh, Ards & North Down and Mid & East Antrim reported a fall in their household waste landfill rates.

The statutory requirement for all councils in Northern Ireland to provide households with a container for food to enable its separate collection has contributed to a long-term drop in landfill rates, though increasing energy recovery rates for some councils have also contributed.

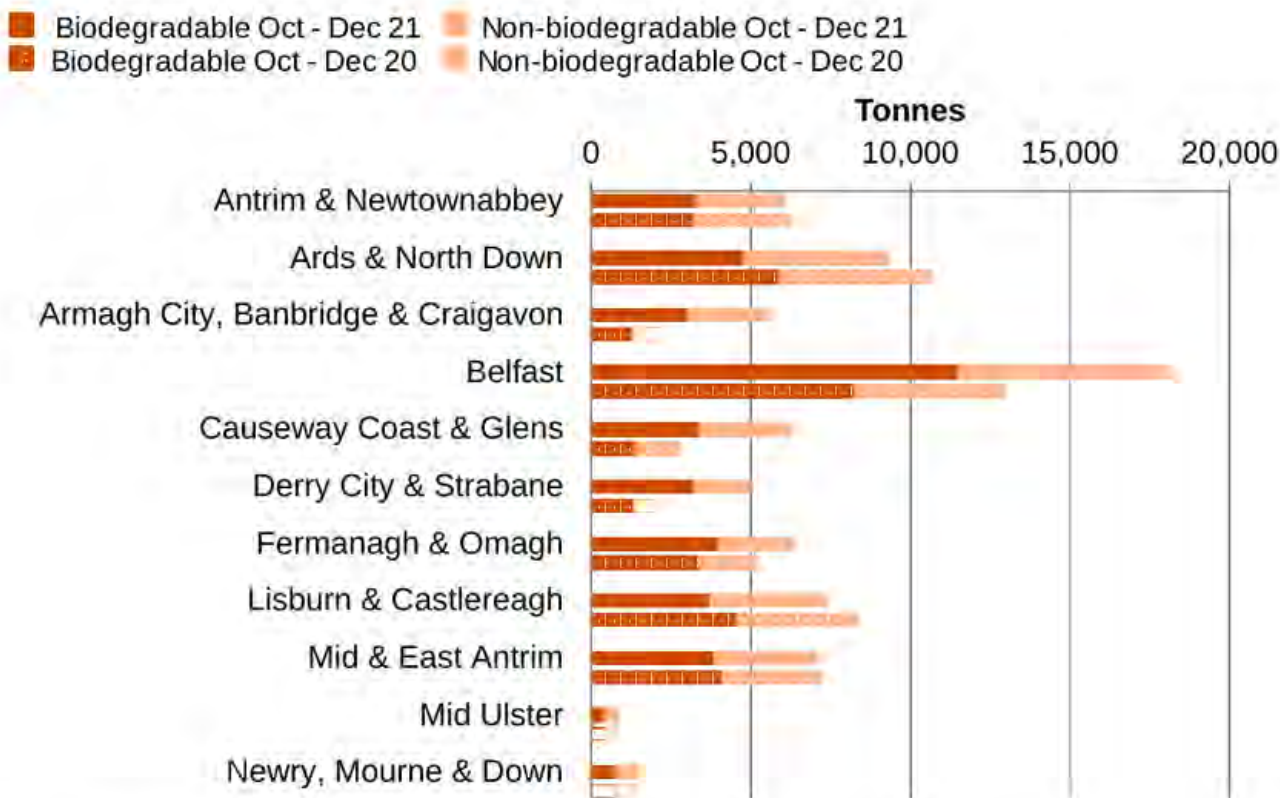
Biodegradable waste to landfill

The Landfill Allowance Scheme (NI) Regulations 2004 (as amended) placed a statutory responsibility on councils, in each scheme year, to landfill no more than the quantity of biodegradable waste for which they had allowances. The scheme concluded at the end of the 2019/20 financial year, however the continued monitoring of Biodegradable waste is required for [existing target commitments](#) which specify that it must be reduced to 35 per cent of the total amount (by weight) of biodegradable municipal waste produced in 1995.

Northern Ireland's councils sent 41,943 tonnes of biodegradable waste to landfill between October and December 2021, which was 57.1 per cent of all waste sent to landfill. During the same quarter last year, 34,703 tonnes of biodegradable waste was sent to landfill which was 58.1 per cent of all waste sent to landfill.

Figure 10 displays the tonnages of LAC biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste sent to landfill by each council, comparing them with other councils and to the same quarter last year.

Figure 10: Biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste to landfill by council
Northern Ireland, October to December 2020 and October to December 2021,



There is considerable variation between councils in the quantities of biodegradable waste sent to landfill, as well as the proportion of biodegradable waste in total landfill. In Derry City & Strabane, 64.7 per cent of all waste sent to landfill was biodegradable, whilst the figure for Mid Ulster was 48.5 per cent.

National Statistics Status

National Statistics status means that our statistics meet the highest standards of trustworthiness, quality and public value, and it is our responsibility to maintain compliance with these standards.

These statistics were first designated as National Statistics, and underwent a full [assessment](#) against the Code of Practice, in January 2014 by the UK Statistics Authority.

A compliance check [assessment](#) was completed for the waste statistics produced by each of the UK regions in 2020 with the results of the finding published in October 2020.

The trustworthiness, quality and value of the statistics, including the coherence of the data source, methods and quality assurance (QA) arrangements, and the presentation of the statistics were reviewed with a final outcome that the statistics can continue to be designated as National Statistics.

The conclusion of the compliance check cited the following actions as strengths:

- Ongoing quality assurance of the data contained within the report by reviewing methods on a quarterly basis.
- Improved statistical output by creating a [time series](#) of Northern Ireland local authority collected municipal waste management statistics to accompany the report and tables. This [dataset](#) is also available on Open Data NI along with a [time series](#) of materials collected at Northern Ireland local authority waste management sites.
- Improved statistical output by creating [infographics](#) to accompany the report and tables.
- Improved statistical output by creating an [interactive dashboard](#) to accompany the report and tables.
- Hosted a workshop with users in February 2020 to review publications and statistical outputs.
- Sought and implemented recommendations from GSS good practice team to improve the publication.

Some areas for minor improvement were also suggested and these will be addressed as we continually improve the statistical output.

One suggestion was to liaise with the other UK regions to produce a guide on how waste is defined as recycled and explain the main definitional differences in recycling rates between countries. The recycling explainer is now available at the following link: [Recycling Explainer](#)

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NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE**HISTORIC ACTIONS TRACKING SHEET**

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NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES MEETING – 23 OCTOBER 2019					
NS/073/2019	Proposed Property Maintenance Policy and Strategy 2019 to 2023	Council's Facilities Management and Maintenance Department develop for agreement with the NS Committee a Property Maintenance Policy and Strategy for the Council to cover the term of this Council 2019 to 2023. If required to assist officers in the development of this Strategy, external support to be procured in accordance with Council Procurement Procedures.	K Scullion	Update provided to NS Committee January 2022 - Property Maintenance Policy and Strategy 2019 to 2023 to be agreed by June 2022.	N
NS/075/2019	Household Recycling Centres (HRC) Update	Investigation to be made through WRAP Capital Fund for grant-aid toward additional container capacity at selected sites.	S Murphy	Ongoing	N

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NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING – 20 OCTOBER 2020					
NS/230/2020	Business Case – Provision of new public toilet in Killough	Agreed to note the content of the report and associated Business Case and to accept the conclusion of the business case that the Council proceed with the proposal to provide a new public toilet in Killough.	K Scullion	In progress - AECOM appointed for consultancy support for project.	N
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING 17 NOVEMBER 2020					
NS/243/2020	Notice of Motion – Green New Deal Strategy	Grant approval to Officers to further scope the issues contained within the Notice of Motion and to prepare a report which summarises the status of existing and planned activity in this area. A report to be tabled at a future Meeting of the Neighbourhood Services Committee and to also write to the Northern Ireland Executive clarifying what actions are currently being taken and what actions are being planned by the NI Executive in respect of climate change.	S Murphy	Response received from DAERA Minister and considered by NS Committee. Scoping of the issues delayed by on-going COVID-19 pandemic.	N

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NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING – TUESDAY 16 MARCH 2021					
NS/041/2021	Siting of bee hives on former Council landfill at Aughnagun	<p>Agreed to note the content of this report and recommend Council give permission to the Beekeeping organisation to place 6 hives on the former landfill site at Aughnagun, initially for 1 x year subject to:</p> <p>1.Successful engagement with local residents and on-site gas-extraction partner, to support the placing of beehives on the Aughnagun site.</p> <p>2.Meeting to be held with Beekeeping Organisation and to seek assurances regarding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - access arrangements to site and to hives - location for hives - communications with Local residents - ongoing review - renewal dates/periods - any potential insurance implications 	S Murphy	Ongoing - Hives currently being prepared by Beekeeping Group to be installed April 2022.	N

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strict guidance with respect to attendance on site to be adhered to 			
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING 21 APRIL 2021					
NS/062/2021	Feasibility study for EV infrastructure at the Council's Depots	<p>Agreed to note the content of the report and to approve the recommendation that a Business Case be prepared which examined the investment and benefits of the EV charging system, together with costings.</p> <p>It was further agreed as part of the Business Case, that officials consider the need for a generator at the proposed sites, in the event of an interruption to electricity supply.</p> <p>It was also agreed officials investigate potential sources of funding for the provision of electric vehicle charging points from the East Border Region Committee.</p>	K Scullion	In Progress – In discussions with AECOM in relation to provision of consultancy support for project.	N

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NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING 19 MAY 2021					
NS/079/2021	Monthly Action Sheet Wind-blown litter at Damolly Retail Park	Mr Dinsmore said he had engaged with the owners and the restaurant franchise and would now formalise the request that a green fence be erected at this location and that he continue to update Cllr. Casey on progress	S Murphy	Ongoing	N
	Litter pickers for schools	The Sustainability Officer to advise Councillors on how litter pickers would be distributed to schools	S Murphy	Litter pickers currently being procured	N
NS/089/2021	Purchase of new industrial heavy grade tractor and side arm flail/cutting unit for grounds maintenance at various locations District wide	Agreed to note the content of the report and associated Business Cases and accept the conclusion of the Business Cases that Option 3 from each be chosen as the preferred option. This would see the procurement of an industrial tractor and a side arm flail.	K Scullion	In Progress	N

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NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING 23 JUNE 2021					
NS/099/2021	Proposed Memorial Gardens Landscape Scheme	Agreed to recommend approval of the choice of locations for both Memorial Gardens as outlined in the report and the implementation of the proposed design for each site.	K Scullion	In Progress	N
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY 18 AUGUST 2021					
NS/125/2021	Distribution of compostable food bags and food waste caddy bins	Agreed to that Officers explore the feasibility of deploying brown bins to residents of high-rise buildings, who were not previously provided with these, and a report be brought back to the next Committee Meeting.	S Murphy	Report to be presented at future committee meeting	N
NS/127/2021	Enforcement Improvement Plan	Agreed to note the content of this report. Agreed that officers prepare a report for the next Committee Meeting on options for future staffing levels to improve the enforcement service, including the possibility of supplementing the service with a contractor on	S Murphy	Report to be presented at future committee meeting	N

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		<p>a short-term basis.</p> <p>Also agreed officers replace the existing signage with updated Newry, Mourne and Down signage, in relation to keeping dogs on a lead on Newry Towpath.</p>		In progress	N
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2021					
NS/137/2021	Translink proposed programme – Bus Shelters in Council area	To approve Option 2 – to delay installation of a bus shelter in Burren pending outcome of Translink’s deliberations in October / November 2021 with the option to reconsider this position if Translink were deemed to be making limited progress in providing the bus shelter in Burren.	K Scullion	Noted	N
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 19 OCTOBER 2021					
NS/149/2021	Report re Council Sites receiving Green Flag Awards	Investigate Tidy NI criteria for Green Flag awards with the view to possibly having Newcastle Harbour included for future consideration for a Green Flag award.	K Scullion	In progress	N

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NS/150/2021	Report re: Social Enterprise Partnership Offer – Planting Trees on Council Land	<p>a) Council seek through an expression of interest exercise, to form a partnership with a not for profit organisation who would link Council with individuals who wish to have a tree or trees, planted on Council designated land. The agreement to be for an initial two year period and may be extended for a further two years subject to Council approval.</p> <p>b) Officers to determine suitable sites and tree species for the scheme.</p> <p>c) Any agreement to be formalised through a Licence Agreement drawn up by Council Legal Advisors.</p>	K Scullion	In Progress	N
NS/153/2021	Biodiversity Pedestrian Collection Mower	To approve the recommendations contained in the Business Case for the purchase of a Ride-on Collection Biodiversity Mower, as per option 3, ie, Purchase high powered compact collection mower to enable	K Scullion	In Progress	N

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		biodiverse and re wilded grass cutting with aid of DAERA funding.			
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2021					
NS/174/2021	Business case for maintenance of town clocks	<p>Note the content of the report.</p> <p>Approve the findings of the business case that reviews options for maintenance of five town clocks. The preferred option (Option 3) would see a suitably qualified maintenance contractor appointed through tender to undertake routine maintenance of the six town clocks and provide breakdown cover for up to a maximum three-year period. The contract would include the option to remove existing clocks or add additional clocks from the service provision.</p> <p>Council consider undertaking a project which would lead to the restoration of the clock at Dan Rice Hall and if agreed to proceed then to approve the recommendations within section 2.3 of this report.</p>	K Scullion	In Progress	N

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NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 21 DECEMBER 2021					
NS/192/2021	Business case for replacement of the air conditioning water chiller at the Downshire Civic Centre	<p>Note the content of the report.</p> <p>Accept the conclusion of the Business Case that Option 3 be chosen as the preferred option. Option 3 would see the appointment, through a tender process, of a competent contractor, to supply and install a new air conditioning water chiller</p>	K Scullion	In progress – tender being prepared for issue	N
NS/193/2021	Business Case for medium-sized chassis cab and cleansing sweeper vehicle replacements	<p>Agreed to approve the Business Case at Appendix 1 for the replacement of sixteen 3,500 – 5,000 kg medium-size chassis cab vehicles for refuse and cleansing; facilities management and maintenance; waste processing and active and healthy communities directorate.</p> <p>Also agreed to approve the Business Case and Economic Appraisal in Appendix II for the replacement of nine Cleansing</p>	S Murphy	Orders placed for vehicles. Update on Fleet Replacement Programme to be provided at May 2022 NS Committee meeting.	Y

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		Sweeper Vehicles in the size range 3,600 kg to 12,000 kg GVW that have been identified as requiring priority replacement by 31st March 2023.			
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING 26 JANUARY 2022					
NS/004/2022	Trade Waste and Caravan Refuse Collection Services	<p>Agreed to approve the report and recommendations:-</p> <p>1. Alternate Weekly Commercial Waste Collection Service</p> <p>Commercial refuse customers (shops and businesses) to be contacted and advised of the proposed move to an alternate weekly collection cycle of residual and dry recyclable waste, where this is achievable.</p> <p>Commercial customers, (not including Caravan Operators) to be provided with appropriate bins to facilitate this change, so there is no cost burden to customers as a result of this change.</p>	S Murphy	In progress	N

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		<p>2. Collection Arrangements and Charges at Caravan Sites</p> <p>Integration and alignment of the waste collection service for Caravan site customers with the waste service provided for Trade Waste customers by offering an alternate weekly collection service as required throughout the year.</p> <p>Commercial refuse charges for caravan parks to be increased to align with and be equitable to charges applied to other businesses from April 2022.</p>			
NS/005/2022	Estates Management and Security Audit Findings	Agreed to approve the Estates Management and Security Action Plan and agree to quarterly updates being provided to the Committee on the implementation status of the Plan	K Scullion	In Progress	N
NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING 23 FEBRUARY 2022					

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NS/015/2022	Revision of Facility Management and Maintenance Department charges for financial year 2022/2023	<p>Agreed to recommend adoption of the Facility Management and Maintenance Department charges as set out in Appendix 1, circulated at the meeting, for the financial year 2022/23.</p> <p>Also agreed that officers consider the 3 scenarios referred to by Councillor Andrews i.e. if administration fees charged for headstone erections could be waived for under-18 burials along with the administration fees for post 3.00 pm burial times and cremation charges and that a report be brought back to the Neighbourhood Services Committee for consideration.</p>	K Scullion	In progress	N
NS/031/2022					
NS/031/2022	Grounds Maintenance – Six Month Review and Six Month Programme	<p>Agreed to approve the proposed actions within the report (Sections 2.1 to 2.3 and Appendix 1).</p>	K Scullion	In progress	N

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		Also agreed officials investigate the history of the removal and continued spraying of hogweed by the legacy Council at Carnmeen Park/Rossmara Park/Mourne Drive Warrenpoint and report back to the Committee on how this recurring problem would be dealt with going forward.			
NS/039/2022	Business Case for replacement of mini excavator and dumper	Agreed to note the content of this report and associated Business Case and accept the conclusion of the Business Case to proceed to tender to procure a replacement mini excavator and dumper	K Scullion	In progress	N
NS/041/2022	Request for sale of burial plots in Council cemeteries	Agreed to recommend that these requests be referred through to the Council's legal services section for review and advice on the options available to the Council. A report to be brought back to the Neighbourhood Services Committee for consideration.	K Scullion	In progress	N

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		Also agreed to recommend that in the interim period the identified plots which the requests related to should be retained pending a final decision.			
END					