

Resources and Waste Strategy

2023 Update

Since the strategy was published in 2021, we have delivered all of the nine initiatives outlined in our initial 12-month pledge (p7 of the Resources & Waste Strategy) as well as many other improvements to our recycling and waste services. These include a Recycling Champions scheme, a reuse shop in Huddersfield, a new bookable bulky waste collection system, and a recycling service for commercial Trade Waste customers; all of which are already benefitting residents, schools, and businesses across Kirklees.

However, there remains a very high level of uncertainty from central Government around the initiatives they were due to implement as part of their resources strategy for England in December 2018. The legislation and funding for these initiatives still remains unclear which, alongside the UK entering a cost-of-living crisis, has forced us as a council to review and re-prioritise the initiatives and targets we originally set out in our strategy.

Given the level of economic uncertainty we are facing globally, we will be reviewing this on a yearly basis and each year setting out a 12-month pledge of the initiatives we will deliver over the following year as well as our aspirations for the next five years.



2023-24 PLEDGE

Within the next 12 months we will deliver:

Reuse and Repair Workshops

New Residents Welcome Pack

Community Grant Scheme

Recycling Roadshow

Improved Litter Bin Provision

Vape Collection Points

Borrow Bank Scheme

Improved 'Bring Bank' Hubs

Reusable Nappy Scheme

Expanded Reuse Shop Donation Points

Over the next five years we will seek to deliver:

Huddersfield District Energy Network

Charity Bulky Reuse Scheme

Scrap Store

Catering Food Waste Recycling

Pop-up recycling scheme

Period Dignity Scheme

Review of Council-owned Facilities

Improved HWRC Facilities

Additional Kerbside Materials Collection

Save Food Resource Packs

Outline of 2023-24 Pledge Initiatives

Reuse and Repair Workshops – See page 13 of the Resources & Waste Strategy.

New Residents Welcome Pack – See page 16 of the Resources & Waste Strategy.

Community Grant Scheme – A new initiative, aimed at providing small pots of funding to support community schemes which have a focus on repair, reuse, or recycling.

Recycling Roadshow – See page 14 of the Resources & Waste Strategy.

Improved Litter Bin Provision – See page 29 of the Resources & Waste Strategy.

Vape Collection Points – A new initiative to tackle the increasing number of disposable vapes being incorrectly disposed of nationally, which will provide collection points across the district for residents to drop-off their used disposable vapes to be recycled.

Borrow Bank Scheme – A new initiative, similar to a tool library, which will allow residents to hire items such as drills to enable them to repair and reuse their broken items.

Improved 'Bring Bank' Hubs – See page 26 of the Resources & Waste Strategy.

Reusable Nappy Scheme – A new initiative which will provide vouchers for residents to put towards the cost of reusable cloth nappies as opposed to disposable ones.

Expanded Reuse Shop Donation Points – Additional donation points will be added to more Household Waste & Recycling Centres across the district to make it even easier for more residents to donate their unwanted items.

Revised Targets

Original Target	Revised
Achieve a recycling rate of at least 70% at our Household Waste & Recycling Centres by 2025.	Achieve a recycling rate of at least 70% at our Household Waste & Recycling Centres by 2030.
Double our recycling rate and recycle at least 55% of municipal waste by 2025.	Recycle at least 65% of municipal waste by 2035.
Achieve a 90% diversion from landfill rate. (MET – 91% for 2022/23)	NEW - Achieve a 95% diversion from landfill rate by 2030.