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Dear Sir/Madam

**Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR)
Request ID: FOI728616232**

Thank you for your request for information relating to waste management, disposal and treatment.

You have requested the following information:

Please find a Freedom of Information request below submitted under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This request relates to district-level waste collection and recycling data, including plastic and aluminium waste, contamination rates and kerbside/non-kerbside collection methods. Within this it also covers how you are preparing for the Deposit Return Scheme starting in 2027.

1. Contractors

Please can you provide a list of all contractors of facilities you use for collection of waste and recycling including:

- Kerbside collections (e.g. plastic waste dry mixed recycling and aluminium cans;

This is an in house collection services at kerbside comingled.

- Non-Kerbside collections – e.g. street bins, bins in public buildings, on-the-go waste.

All street/public bins are mixed wastes/dog waste/litter. We do not have street recycling bins in Coventry.

For each can you include:

- Services provided;

- **Contract start and end dates;**
- **Annual or total contract value;**
- **Fee structures – whether they are fixed or variable rates, contamination charges/revenue sharing arrangements etc;**
- **Performance indicators or incentives used including recycling targets, contamination thresholds and any associated bonuses/penalties;**
- **Where possible can the information be broken down by plastic, aluminium, dry mixed recycling;**
- **Collection stream – Kerbside or non Kerbside.**

Not applicable. Sherbourne Recycling Ltd is a joint partnership of eight local authorities across the West Midlands. The company is a Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) on behalf of its partners, providing a solution for processing its partner-council's residential kerbside recycling collections.

Further information is accessible via this link: <https://sherbournerecycling.co.uk/about>

2. Waste Volumes and Collection Methods

Please can you provide the annual tonnages collected (2021/22–2023/2024) of:

- **Plastic bottles — including an estimate of the percentage or volume of PET plastic, where available;**
- **Other plastics;**
- **Dry mixed recycling;**
- **Aluminium cans.**

If tonnages are estimated rather than measured, please indicate the method of estimation. Can you indicate whether these were collected separately or as part of a co-mingled waste stream. Where possible, can you provide an estimate of the PET plastic content.

Please see attached document.

3. Contamination and Waste Treatment Outcomes 2021/22 to 2023/2024

Please can you provide annual contamination rates (gross tonnage and percentage) for plastic bottles, other plastics, dry mixed recycling, and aluminium cans between 2021/22 and 2023/2024 by contractor/facility. If tonnages are estimated rather than measured, please indicate the method of estimation.

Please also provide the total annual amount (gross and %) of:

- **Plastic waste recycled vs. incinerated;**

We do not collect plastic waste for incineration. We acknowledge that some residents will place recycling in their residual bin but there is no data held for this.

- **Aluminium waste recycled vs. incinerated;**

We do not collect aluminium waste for incineration. We acknowledge that some residents will place recycling in their residual bin but there is no data for this.

- **All council-collected waste recycled vs. incinerated.**

Please see attached document.

4. Kerbside and Non Kerbside collections

Please describe your role in kerbside and non-kerbside waste and recycling collections.
Coventry City Council operate an in house collection service for kerbside, cleansing and grounds.

For kerbside collections, please include:

- Whether materials (e.g. plastics, aluminium) are collected separately or co-mingled;
Comingled.

- Frequency and method of collection;
240 litre bin fortnightly. Flats and multi occupancy residential properties may have 660, 1100 or chamberlain and some sites will have weekly collection depending on location and space.

- Any recent or planned changes in response to DRS or EPR;
No plans.

- If on-the-go (public space) bins are part of the system, please include them in your description and identify them separately.
We do not offer any on-the-go public space recycling bins.

For non-kerbside collections (e.g. street bins or bins in public buildings), include:

- Whether separate contracts exist;
- Materials collected, including plastic and aluminium;
- Volumes (2021/2022 – 2023/2024), with percentages and volumes for plastics and aluminium;
- Contract terms and fees structures with contractors.
If tonnages are estimated, please state the method used.

Not applicable.

5. DRS and EPR Preparations

Please can you provide details of any work undertaken in preparation for the Deposit Return Scheme (DRS) and the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). This may include infrastructure investments, installation of reverse vending machines, operational changes, pilot projects, modelling, or public engagement activities.

DRS & EPR do not fall within the Council's remit. Our MRF as the processor will be looking at EPR.

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[Scheme](#), [Facts about Coventry](#) and [Open Data](#) that you may find of useful if you are looking for information in the future.

If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request – email: infogov@coventry.gov.uk

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our review, you can write to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or email icocasework@ico.org.uk.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

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