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Headlines

Good performance or trends

- Rationalised waste rounds implemented, extending recycling and garden waste collections
- Water End flood development scheme started

Issues to watch

- Waste Strategy delayed due to PFI funding withdrawal
- Forecast figures for 2013/14 for household waste predicts a decrease in the percentage recycled. This is coupled by a predicted higher rate of growth in household waste.
- Cost of landfill forecast to be 17% higher this year than 2012/13.

Waste: Review waste strategy and develop zero waste theme throughout strategy**Summary progress related to this theme:**

Waste Strategy - CYC are still actively pursuing the Allerton Park scheme but decision making is on hold. A Judicial Review into the planning decision by NYCC was successful but opposition are preparing for further appeal. A paper on the Waste PFI is due to go to Cabinet in October 2013. Given that this is an essential component to the Waste Strategy, it is not possible to take the strategy forward until there is further clarity on the Allerton Park scheme. Changes to the city's **waste services** came into effect from 9 September following a review and consultation earlier this year. Although the council needed to find savings of £300,000 for 2013/14, changes to days and times for rubbish and recycling collections have been minimised with less than 10 per cent of all households affected. An additional 824 households will also now benefit from recycling and garden waste collections following the rationalisation of waste rounds

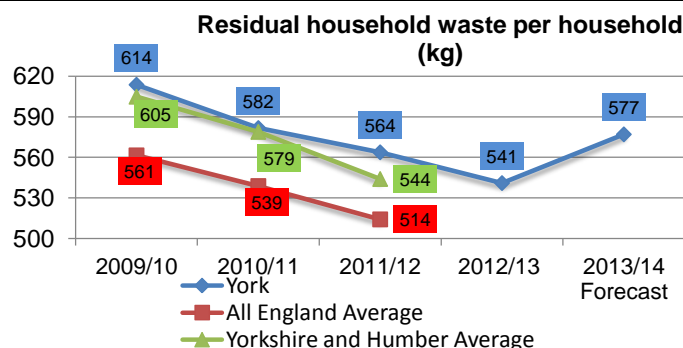
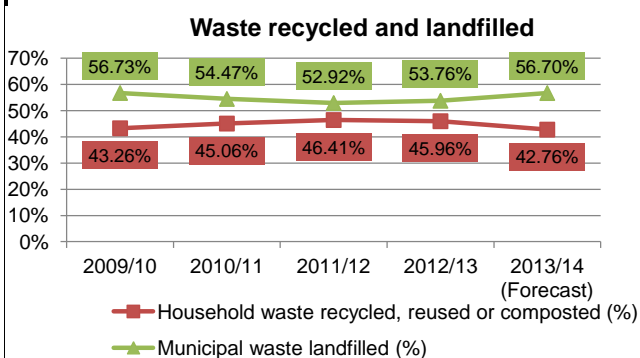
Efficiency savings - Changes to Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) completed.

Garden Waste - Garden waste collection service will be suspended from November 2013 to March 2014. In the corresponding period in the previous financial year a total of 2,350 tonnes of garden waste was collected. We are promoting the use of home composting and other means of disposing of garden waste (through HWRCs), but it is likely that some garden waste may end up going to landfill. This may have an impact on performance measures NPI 191, NPI 192, NPI 193, total tonnes of municipal waste landfilled and actual tonnes of waste composted.

Kerbside Recycling - The amount of recyclables collected in 2012/2013 fell by 450 tonnes compared to the previous financial year (2011/2012 - 15,070 tonnes / 2012/2013 - 14,620 tonnes). The effect of the national recession is being felt by councils across the country in the amount of recyclable material, especially paper and glass, being presented for recycling. Campaign work is now underway to help stop the decline and to boost the amount of recyclables collected, by improving participation in existing services and identifying barriers to recycling, but it is forecast that the total amount of recyclables collected in 2013/2014 will fall again to 14,120 tonnes. This may have a negative impact on performance measures NPI 191, NPI 192, NPI 193 and total tonnes of municipal waste landfilled. This may also contribute to an increase in the amount of Landfill Tax paid.

Household Waste Growth - Rate of growth is higher than anticipated. There could be many reasons for this situation, including: an increase in waste arisings due to the economy starting to recover, more illegal disposal of commercial waste to avoid paying increasing landfill charges and delay in implementation of waste prevention campaign work and activities. This is having a negative impact on performance measures NPI 191, NPI 193, total tonnes of household waste collected and total tonnes of municipal waste landfilled. This may also contribute to an increase in the amount of Landfill Tax paid.

Indicators	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14 forecast	Target	Trend
Waste management							
Residual household waste (kg per HH) (NPI 191)	614g	582kg	564kg	541kg	577kg	545kg	Increase
Household waste recycled / composted (NPI 192)	43.26%	45.10%	46.41%	45.96%	42.76%	47.61%	Decrease
Municipal waste landfilled (NPI 193)	56.73%	54.47%	52.92%	53.76%	56.70%	51.56%	Increase
Total tonnes of municipal waste collected (household, commercial, prescribed and inert waste)	106,290	102,460	101,070	97,000	96,000	N/A	Decrease



Performance data	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	-/+ change	% Change
Tonnes of Landfilled waste - Combined (excluding liquid waste)	60,300	55,590	53,490	52,150	54,430	2,280	4.4%
Cost of landfill tax - Combined (excluding liquid waste)	£2,412,000	£2,668,320	£2,995,440	£3,337,600	£3,918,960	£581,360	17.4%

Landfill tax has increased by £8 per tonne annually with effect 1 April since 2007, and prior to that at £3 per tonne since 1999. Landfill tax was £7 per tonne in 1996 and at 1 April 2013 it is £72 per tonne.

Climate Change - 'Deliver Climate Change Action Plan', 'Carbon Management Programme', 'Environmental Management System', 'Maximise the Green Deal' and 'Improve Flood Defences'

- Over 800 social homes have now benefited from CYC solar panel programme
- YEP and CYC have created a new energy efficiency outreach post (1 year) to maximise uptake of ECO in targeted areas in York (commencing late Sept 2013)
- CYC and partners CED will be commencing a 50 home Smart meter trial in October (utilising schools)
- New Energy switching scheme is being procured for CYC and due to commence winter 2013
- Various DECC funded energy demand reduction and energy switching pilots completed including solid wall pilot, boiler upgrades and over 300 homes registered for the energy switching pilot
- CYC developed a Home Energy Conservation Action Plan to demonstrate key actions CYC will be taking to reduce energy consumption in homes in 2013 (and to reduce Fuel poverty, and city-wide CO2 emissions)
- In conjunction with the Climate Change Skills Fund, CYC held a session "Why building sustainable developments in York and North Yorkshire makes sense" on 26th June 2013 for local small scale developers and linked to CAP actions
- A multi-million pound scheme to help protect around 300 residents' homes and businesses from the risk of flooding is now underway in the Water End area of York. The £3.2m scheme is a partnership between the council and the Environment Agency. The council has contributed £1m towards the work which will greatly reduce the risk of a recurrence of the 2012 flooding and leakages in the Water End area of the city. As part of the work, a 300 metre long flood wall is being built between Landing Lane and the river bridge at Water End, flood defences will be installed around Landing Lane and the embankment behind Swinerton Avenue and the park land behind St Barnabas School will be raised. The works are expected to be completed by December 2013.

Natural Environment - Deliver Green infrastructure Strategy, Green Spaces Manual and Bio Diversity Action Plan

- Consultation completed on the draft Bio-Diversity Action Plan.
- Development of the Green Infrastructure Strategy is ongoing, being considered in the context of the Local Plan development.

Land & conservation

Performance data	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14 Latest	Target	Trend
% of new homes built on previously developed land	95.9% (581/606)	86.9% (497/572)	68.6% (243/354)	73.0% (394/540)	86.4% (Apr-Aug)	65.00%	Increase

Built Environment - 'Deliver the public realm strategy', 'The Reininvigorate York programme' and 'Complete the heritage strategy'

Heritage Strategy: A final draft was completed for consultation in July

Reininvigorate York: King's Square improvements began on 3rd September and, through two separate phases (in order to allow a break for St. Nicholas Fayre) will be completed Spring 2014. Exhibition Square, Duncombe Place, Parliament Street, Fossgate and Micklegate in 2014/ 15.

Public Spaces: Streetscape Strategy and Guidance in place and being referred to. Formal adoption will follow through Local Plan process. A Public Realm Design Manual has been produced. Rowntree Park, West Bank Park, Clarence Gardens, Glen Gardens and Rawcliffe Country Park have each been awarded the right to fly the Green Flag. The national award, handed out by environmental charity Keep Britain Tidy, recognises and rewards the best parks and green spaces across the country. A Green Flag flying overhead is a sign to visitors that the space boasts the highest possible standards, is beautifully maintained and has excellent facilities.

Air Quality - Deliver Low Emissions Strategy and develop Air Quality Action Plan

- York is to get £232,000 from the government towards new electric vehicle charging points throughout the city. The charging points will allow electric vehicles to speedily top up their batteries in minutes at 50kW power output offering a choice of DC and AC charging sockets. Installation of these points is awaited. An additional £25,500 of government funding is to be used towards introducing 12 new charging points at the council's Hazel Court, Eco-Depot for electric pool cars.
- We now have a total of 32 electric charging points in operation around York: 12 in CYC car parks and 20 in local businesses, mostly hotels.
- Council had secured £824,000 in funding for nine new electric buses for the city which are due to be on York's roads in 2014. The nine electric buses will help save over 4,500 tons of CO2 in York over their lifespan
- We have successfully bid for £75,000 from the Department of Transport to convert a diesel double decker to an all electric double decker, the first of its kind in the UK.
- We now have an additional 8 electric hybrid taxis as a result of the taxi incentive that offers up to £3000 for drivers to convert to low emission vehicles; again, the first scheme of its kind in the UK. The scheme is being followed by central government with a view to adopting a similar scheme nationwide.

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