

Update on Mixed Recycling & Waste Collection

FAME recycling vehicle replacement

I appreciate that members are interested to know the progress that has been made in obtaining new vehicles to replace the aging FAME lorries, which have been breaking down leading to co-mingling (combining of the content of recycling boxes in the same back of replacement lorries). The FAME vehicles will be phased out in April 2017.

Prior to the invitation to attend your meeting I had asked that this issue and others relating to recycling collections were contained within my recent decision session on 9 January 2017 and hence the report for that meeting is attached to your agenda for this purpose. In previous times this would have been considered by an EMAP (Executive Member Advisory Panel) which would have allowed the discussions which I am sure that we will have on the evening of your Committee meeting.

There were some additional recommendations to the printed officer report which I attach below. These take into account requests for provision of recycling services such as garden collections to parts of the city which don't currently receive them, but have requested them.

I am sure that members of the Committee will be interested in the Community Recycling Fund progress, which I am happy to update the Committee with on the night of the meeting.

I would encourage all members to promote in their areas the One Planet York App which assists residents with reminders on their waste and recycling collections as this is set specifically to the householder's address.

Cllr Andrew Waller

Executive Member for Environment

Appendix 1- Report for Decision Session 9th January 2017

4. WASTE COLLECTION CALENDAR 2017

Resolved:

- i. That the revised calendar be approved.
- ii. That the communications strategy, to inform residents about the changes, be approved.
- iii. That an update report on actions to tackle current levels of vehicle downtime leading to comingling or recyclables (on vehicles not already programmed to be replaced by the purchase of replacement vehicles) be produced for a future Environment Member Decision Session.
- iv. That the inclusion of areas within York, which had not previously received garden waste collections, be examined in the future phases of this programme.
- v. That plans be prepared for a further Community Recycling Fund to promote recycling in the year 2017/18.
- vi. That the delivery of the 2016/17 winter edition of the waste and recycling calendar to households be reviewed.