

APPENDIX 2

Approach to Robust Enforcement Action

In addition to the current side waste enforcement action being undertaken, it is recommended that a more robust enforcement approach be taken on those properties which habitually do not present any recycling out for collection.

It will be presumed that where no recycling is presented, all waste types are being disposed of in the black bin. Where recycling is placed in the black bin, this has a detrimental impact on recycling performance and results in increased disposal cost and lost potential income from the sale of recyclables.

It is proposed that, where it can be evidenced that recyclable items are being placed inside the black bin for collection, that the same process be undertaken as with side waste presentation.

A three phase approach which allows for informing and education in the first instance then formal action for continued noncompliance.

Stage 1

Monitoring of recycling and waste presented at the kerbside will be undertaken by the waste collection crews with each recycling streams being checked.

Where a property continually does not present any recycling containers out, an advisory/warning letter will be delivered to the property and a sticker placed on the bin. The property will then be placed on a monitoring list to be monitored for recycling presentation on subsequent collections

Stage 2

Following the monitoring list, an Enforcement Officer will visit the property on collection day to review the containers presented. Where no recycling containers are presented again, the Officer will open the lid of the black bin and inspect its contents for recyclable items.

Where recyclable items are seen, the Officer will issue the property with a formal Section 46 Notice. The property will continued to be monitored for compliance with the formal notice

Stage 3

Where no improvement is seen a Fixed Penalty Notice will be issued.

Inform & Educate

In areas of low recycling participation, education campaigns will be undertaken in the first instance to inform and educate residents of their responsibilities.