



**LINCOLNSHIRE WASTE PARTNERSHIP**

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<b>SUBJECT :</b>	<b>Joint Municipal Waste Strategy Action Plan Update</b>
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## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy (JMWMS) Action plan details the actions and projects in place to deliver the objectives of the JMWMS adopted in January 2019. The revised objectives agreed on 9 March 2023 were:

1. To improve the quality and therefore commercial value of our recycling stream.
2. To further explore our common set of recycling materials in line with government legislative changes
3. To consider the introduction of separate food waste collections where technically, environmentally and economically practicable and in line with government legislative changes
4. To explore new opportunities of promoting waste minimisation and of using all waste as a resource in accordance with the waste hierarchy.
5. To contribute to the UK recycling target of 55% by 2025
6. To find the most appropriate ways to measure our environmental performance and set appropriate targets.
7. To seek to reduce our carbon footprint.
8. To make an objective assessment of what further waste processing/disposal capacity is required and, as necessary, secure appropriate capacity.
9. To regularly review the LWP governance model in order to provide the best opportunity to bring closer integration and the implementation of the objectives set by the strategy.

10. To consider appropriate innovative solutions in the delivery of our waste management services.

A glossary of abbreviations and initialisms within this report:

- CPR: [The Collection and Packaging Reforms – a summary of the impacts \(defra.gov.uk\)](https://www.defra.gov.uk)
- EPR: [Extended producer responsibility for packaging: who is affected and what to do - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)
- Simpler: [Simpler Recycling - Local Partnerships](#)
- JMWMS: [Waste Strategy for Lincolnshire](#)
- MDR: [Mixed Dry Recycling](#)
- WTS: [Waste Transfer Station](#)
- HWRC: [Household Waste Recycling Centre](#)
- LWP: [Lincolnshire Waste Partnership](#)
- DMO: [Deposit Management Organisation](#)

## DISCUSSIONS

Partners will be aware from previous meetings that HM Government have a radical and challenging proposed waste reforms programme, the development of which continues apace. The Lincolnshire Waste Strategy supports the delivery of the Government's programme as detailed on the following page:

Objective	Lincolnshire Waste Strategy Objective	EPR	DRS	Simpler Recycling
1	To improve the quality and therefore commercial value of our recycling stream.	Aligns with EPR and efficient and effective	DRS impact will need to be considered regarding lost material and income/cost	Consider alongside proposal for exemption for co-collection. Also review in line with EPR and efficient and effective
2	<i>To further explore our common set of recycling materials in line with government legislative changes</i>	Aligns with EPR regarding materials that will be in scope for payment. Will need to consider modulation and efficient and effective	DRS impact will need to be considered regarding lost material and income/cost. Also, the DMO decision regarding material collected by LA	Consider alongside proposal for exemption for co-collection. Also review in line with EPR and efficient and effective
3	<i>To consider the introduction of separate food waste collections where technically, environmentally and economically practicable and in line with government legislative changes</i>			Aligns with food waste requirements of EA and simpler recycling. Will need to consider business waste earlier delivery date
4	To explore new opportunities of promoting waste minimisation and of using all waste as a resource in accordance with the waste hierarchy.	Aligns with governments Environmental Plan. Need to consider alongside all policies of CPR		
5	<i>To contribute to the UK recycling target of 55% by 2025</i>	Aligns with governments Environmental Plan. Need to consider alongside all policies of CPR		

6	To find the most appropriate ways to measure our environmental performance and set appropriate targets.	Aligns with governments Environmental Plan and OFLOG. Need to consider alongside all policies of CPR, including efficient and effective and how performance will look to achieve best financial outcome related to EPR		
7	To seek to reduce our carbon footprint.	Consider in line with all new policies, including CPR and Environmental plan and how changes will impact carbon footprint		
8	To make an objective assessment of what further waste processing/disposal capacity is required and, as necessary, secure appropriate capacity.	EPR will have an impact on the materials that are presented I the coming years as modulation changes what producers put on the market	DRS impact will need to be considered regarding lost material and income/cost. Also, the DMO decision regarding material collected by LA and impact to disposal capacity and contracts	Food waste disposal will be required. Consider alongside proposal for exemption for co-collection. Also review in line with EPR and efficient and effective
9	To regularly review the LWP governance model in order to provide the best opportunity to bring closer integration and the implementation of the objectives set by the strategy.	Consideration of best model to move forward and deliver all government policies		
10	To consider appropriate innovative solutions in the delivery of our waste management services	Consideration of best model to move forward and deliver all government policies		

## OPTIONS

The Lincolnshire Waste Strategy has an accompanying action plan which was last considered by LWP on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023. The appendix below builds on this by adding more detail and reflects national developments since then. As many of the reforms are based on the legal requirements of part of the [Environment Act 2021](#), many aspects of the draft action plan will be the duty of partners to deliver over the next year and beyond.

If adopted, progress on delivery will be shared with partners through subsequent LWP meetings.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the proposed JMWMS Action Plan 2024/25 shown at Appendix 1 be approved and adopted.

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