



COUNCIL MEETING – 15 January 2020

Question under Council Procedure Rule 15(3)

QUESTION 4

From: Councillor Ferguson

To: The Cabinet Member for Service Quality and Transformation (Cllr Tod)

“Can the Cabinet Member for Service Quality and Transformation comment on what impact the new glass collection service has had on the volume of glass being collected across the district?”

Reply

“There has been a significant and positive impact on the volume of glass collected for recycling.

Whilst the data we have received is not final audited data, there is a significant increase in glass being collected since the service started on September 30th.

Number of tonnes of glass collected each month							
April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept	Oct.	Nov.
130	168	167	179	133	133	275	221

Based on the two months of data received so far since the new scheme began, there has been at around an extra 50 tonnes of glass collected for recycling per month, taking May to July as the comparative months, although exact changes are difficult to identify as only two months have passed and we are expecting the amount of glass collected to vary across the year.

The national measure of CO2 saved per tonne recycled is 233kg of CO2 saved per tonne recycled*, which suggest around 10-15 tonnes of CO2 saved per month by our increased recycling activity.

When we have received 3 months data we should be in a position to provide a more robust estimate of the increase in recycling rate.”

*English Carbon metric report produced by
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