

08 February 2017

Dear [REDACTED]

Request for information: RFI-2017-0182

Your request for information about the council's compulsory recycling scheme has now been considered. The information held by the Council relevant to your request is set out below:

1. The year the compulsory scheme started or if it has always been compulsory in Newark and Sherwood

We do not operate a compulsory recycling scheme in Newark & Sherwood. There is no legal requirement to recycle and we do not prosecute anyone for not recycling. However I can tell you that the councils alternate fortnightly collections were introduced in January 2005.

2. The percentage of recycling that was collected before the scheme

Neither internal or national records go far enough back to identify recycling percentages prior to 2006/07.

3. The percentage of recycling that has been collected in the year after the scheme started
The percentage collected in the earliest year records still kept (2006/07 financial year) was 25.68 %

This request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

If you have any further queries or concerns about the information provided please do not hesitate to contact us. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, starting the day after the date of this letter, we will consider the request closed.

If following our response to your query you are still dissatisfied you have the right to request an internal review. This will be conducted by the Director of Safety or the Deputy Chief Executive who have not been involved with the request or complaint until this point. Should you wish to proceed to this stage please advise us quoting the reference number at the top of this page.

Should you be dissatisfied with the outcome of any internal review to the Council you have a further right of appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office, details of which can be found on the Information Commissioner's website www.ico.org.uk/

More details of this complaints process are available to view on our website at the following link:

www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/yourcouncil/makingarequestforinformation/accesstoinformation-complaintsprocedure/

Yours sincerely

David Clarke



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