



Elected Member Briefing Note

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Purpose

This briefing note serves as a concise summary of recent updates from Waste Services for Elected Members to stay informed. Links are included where appropriate to provide further information that can be shared by Elected Members throughout the community.

Briefing Information

Food Waste

- Waste Services are developing a Food Waste Strategy that will look at Domestic, Commercial, and Internal food waste (in PKC Schools and Council buildings). As part of this strategy, PKC will work with local communities to help implement change in the way we view and deal with our Food Waste.
- #FoodWasteEqualsClimateChange will run from June to early October and will include 4 free Saturday Workshops at Auchterarder Library in July, all are welcome to attend
- <https://www.pkc.gov.uk/FoodWasteEqualsClimateChange>
- Food Waste information stalls have been held previously at multiple venues (M&S, Aldi, and Asda) and will be at other supermarkets over the next 3 months.

Glass Recycling Competition

- Our Waste Services Team have been running a Facebook Selfie Competition to encourage Glass Recycling in Perth and Kinross.
- <https://www.pkc.gov.uk/glassrecycling>
- The competition's Facebook posts have had a reach of over 5,600 people and engagement with 131 members of the public so far.
- There will be 3 winners decided, these winners will each receive a £30 Perth Gift Card. [Perth Gift Card | Town & City Gift Cards UK \(townandcitygiftcards.com\)](http://townandcitygiftcards.com) The winners will be announced within the w/c 11/07/22.
- For more information and free resources, visit: [Glass bottle and jar recycling - Perth & Kinross Council \(pkc.gov.uk\)](http://www.pkc.gov.uk/glassrecycling)

Glass Recycling Facilities Updates

- The Glass Recycling facilities from Gleneagles Road, Perth, are being removed due to repeated misuse and the anti-social behaviour that they are attracting. An alternative Glass Recycling Point is available on Gleneagles Road near Moncrieffe Primary School.
- We will also soon be removing the mini glass recycling point at Main Street Inchtute due to repeated use during antisocial hours, despite warning. This will be undertaken by our maintenance team at the earliest opportunity.

Dry Mixed Recycling (DMR) Contamination Monitoring

- Our Waste Assistants will be continuing the DMR (Blue Bin) Contamination Monitoring in the coming weeks. Updates of the areas being monitored will be posted on the [PKC Waste Services Team | Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/pkc.waste).
- Reminders of areas and monitoring dates will also be sent to Community Councils and Elected Members prior to monitoring.
- Phase 3 of DMR contamination monitoring is now complete in Blairgowrie and Rattray and we will be moving on to Phase 4 in Crieff and surrounding areas from the 25th of July.

1st Monitoring Cycle

Date	Day	Crew	Area	Approx. Householders
25 th July	Monday	CD1	Braco, Greenloaning, Blackford, Rural	742
25 th July	Monday	CD3	Auchterarder	1,140
26 th July	Tuesday	CD2	East Crieff	1,444
29 th July	Friday	CD3	Auchterder, North Side of High Street, Feus, Hunter St	606

These areas will then be repeated for a second round of monitoring starting from the 8th of August and an additional third round beginning the 22nd of August.

DMR Contamination rate for May 2022

These rates give an indication of DMR Contamination over the whole of Perth and Kinross and are updated at the end of every month. Over the last 2 months no extra contamination fee was incurred as the contamination rate was sitting comfortably below the 20% threshold:

- The DMR Contamination Rate for April was: 16.84%
- The DMR Contamination Rate for May was: 17.74%

DMR Contamination Information Stalls

- Positive feedback has been received regarding recent stalls providing residents with information about their Blue Bin recycling in areas of recent monitoring.
- Stalls that were held in May and June with information on our Stick to the Six campaign and advice on what can be recycled, as well as information stands where useful materials can be found are listed in the below link:
- [Stick to the Six - Blairgowrie, Rattray, Alyth, Coupar Angus - Perth & Kinross Council \(pkc.gov.uk\)](https://www.pkc.gov.uk/stick-to-the-six)

Stick to the Six- APSE Silver Award

- Our Waste Services Team's Stick to the Six campaign won the silver award at the APSE (Association for Public Service Excellence) Striving for Excellence Awards in the waste and recycling category in late May 2022
- [Silver award for waste and recycling campaign - Perth & Kinross Council \(pkc.gov.uk\)](https://www.pkc.gov.uk/silver-award)

Facebook Communications

[PKC Waste Services Team | Facebook.](#)

Our **July** social media will include posts to raise awareness surrounding the following:

- DMR Waste Monitoring reminders
- Dunelm recycling scheme for duvets and pillows
- Food Waste Workshop reminders
- Food Waste Reduction
- Single Use Plastic Ban reminders
- Soft Plastic Recycling Schemes in local supermarkets
- APSE Silver Award Announcement
- Perth College, updated recycling facilities information
- Winner of Glass Recycling competition announced
- Additional Bin Form renewal reminder
- Garden Waste Permit Reminders
- Re-use Containers Promotion
- PKC June recycling contamination rate

To keep up with the latest updates and information surrounding Perth and Kinross Council's Waste Services follow our Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/PKCWasteServices/>

If you have any questions or enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact:

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