

Response to Consultation on Refreshing the Kent Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy

SDC Supports the refresh of the joint Waste Management Strategy, the overarching vision, the strategy mission statement and the policies and policy objectives.

Comments on maximising the value of resources:-

- Is the target of recycling/composting 50% of waste by 2020/21 ambitious enough, bearing in mind at the end of quarter two of 2017/18, it is 49.4%.
- Should individual targets be introduced for individual materials, glass, paper, card, plastic, aluminium, food, garden waste etc. and should there also be a greater emphasis on the quality of recyclate as well as quantity (weight).
- Is the target of landfilling no more than 5% of waste by 2020/21 ambitious enough bearing in mind 2016/17 performance is already at 2.8% and quarter two of 2017/18 is 1.8%.