



# Havering

LONDON BOROUGH

# **Resource and Waste Strategy Summary**

## **Environment Overview & Scrutiny Sub-Committee**

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## **2 main aims:**

1. Maximise the value of resource
2. Minimise waste and its impact on the environment.

## **To achieve this, it has 5 strategic ambitions:**

1. To work towards all plastic packaging placed on the market being recyclable, reusable or compostable by 2025;
2. To work towards eliminating food waste to landfill by 2030;
3. To eliminate avoidable plastic waste over the lifetime of the 25 Year Environment Plan;
4. To double resource productivity by 2050; and
5. To eliminate avoidable waste of all kinds by 2050.

## Issues pertinent to Havering

1. Extended Producer Responsibility
  - Deposit Return Schemes
  - LA funding
  - Tax on packaging
  
2. Sustainable Consumption
  - Ban on some single-use plastic products
  - Maximising re-use, e.g. 3<sup>rd</sup> sector
  - Encourage more drinking fountains
  
3. Consistency in Collections
  - Separate food waste collections by 2023
  - Consultation on free garden waste collections
  - Review of material quality

## Issues pertinent to Havering continued

### 4. Tackling Waste Crime

- Improving quality of exports
- Strengthening intelligence

### 5. Food Waste

- Introduction of targets
- Support for Love Food Hate Waste initiatives / pilots

### 6. Data

- Carbon-based targets
- Quantification of reuse and repair activities

## ELWA context

### 1. Food waste

- GLA Environment Strategy also stipulating separate collection
- Current contract prevents this. Some work being done in this area.
- Waste prevention plays a key part, and Reuse and Recycling Plans will demonstrate this.

### 2. Reuse

- May see introduction of more on-site segregation of reusable items.
- Current arrangements in place with reuse organisations, but this may be increased / improved upon

### 3. Collaborative working between local authorities

- The joint strategy development work between ELWA and its constituent boroughs will support this
- Quantification of reuse and repair activities

## ELWA context continued

4. Development of residual waste treatment infrastructure
  - The London Environment Strategy states that no further infrastructure is required in the capital, however the level of population growth compared to the national average, as well as contradicting assumptions in the RWS would suggest otherwise.
  
5. Tackling waste crime
  - Possible regulatory changes around handling, movement and export of waste.

## Consultations

- Both Havering and ELWA will be engaging with the industry and ensuring that responses are provided on relevant consultations and calls for evidence.
- Current scheduled consultations are:
  - Packaging consultation during 2019
  - Consultations on two new EPR schemes by the end of the current Parliament in mid-2022
  - Consultations on three more EPR schemes by 2025.
- Future consultations likely to include:
  - Deposit Return Schemes
  - Consistency of recycling collections (inc. separate food waste and free garden waste collections)
  - Plastics



# Any questions?

