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ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

TO FOLLOW REPORT (S)

7 Introduction of Weekly Food Waste Collections (Pages 1 - 42)

The Simpler Recycling Legislation came into effect in March 2025 and aims to standardise recycling across England and includes the requirement that all households are required to have a weekly food waste collection by 31 March 2026. The report outlines the progress that the council has made, and the challenges and additional financial burden associated with this new requirement.

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Introduction of Weekly Food Waste Collections

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1 Synopsis

1.1 The Environment Act came into force in April 2021 and sets out a framework for long term environmental goals and established new legal duties and powers for the government to take action to address various environmental challenges and is a significant step in the UK achieving a more sustainable and greener future.

1.2 Improved consistency in recycling collections relates to the standardisation of recycling collections to ensure that there is consistency in the types of materials accepted for recycling, the collection methods and the overall effectiveness and efficiency of the whole process.

1.3 The Simpler Recycling Legislation came into effect in March 2025 and aims to standardise recycling across England and includes the requirement that all households are required to have a weekly food waste collection from 31 March 2026.

2 Executive Summary

2.1 Council officers have worked with both Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and Veolia ES Shropshire to find the most cost-effective solution to deliver a weekly food waste service. There has been ongoing dialogue with DEFRA since 2023 through formal responses and monthly meetings where the council have raised concerns regarding the mechanism and amount of revenue funding that would be available to operate the service in the long term and all indications were that this would be through new burdens funding.

2.2 The "new burdens" funding legislation refers to the UK's **New Burdens Doctrine**, a policy requiring central government to fully fund any new duties or initiatives placed on local authorities (LAs), preventing unfunded mandates that would raise council tax. While not specific legislation, it's a long-standing principle enforced by guidance, requiring departments to assess and cover the net additional costs of new responsibilities including weekly food waste collections

2.3 Although capital new burdens funding has been provided for the purchase of vehicles and bins and transitional funding for delivery, communication and project management due to the council's financial position there has not been the opportunity to allocate the required revenue budget as part of the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) for the operational deliver of a weekly food waste service. This would place a significant financial risk on the council at a time when it already faces unprecedented financial pressure on existing services and has had no alternative but to wait until the amount of additional government financial support was known.

2.4 The continued uncertainty regarding the required revenue and the increase in lead times for new vehicles and bins due to the high demand means that, the implementation of the requirement to provide a weekly food waste collections to all households in Shropshire from April 2026 does not appear to be achievable.

2.5 Scrutiny is asked to consider the contents of this report and how the council can fulfil its duty under the Simpler Recycling Legislation to implement a weekly food waste collection in the most cost effective and efficient way given the current budget position and the resources needed to fulfil this statutory requirement.

3 Recommendations

3.1 That scrutiny notes the content of this report; and considers the options detailed in table 7.9 taking into account resources and risks associated with implementing a weekly food collection, with a view to making recommendations to Cabinet on 11th March.

Report

4. Risk Assessment and Opportunities Appraisal

4.1 Strategic Risk:

Risk	Response
<p>Council has no agreed delivery strategy for the statutory requirement for weekly food waste collections and a failure to implement new legislation could lead to enforcement action, fines or legal challenge</p>	<p>We have been part of the DEFRA food waste project for over three years and have raised the issue regarding the Council's financial position with the project lead officer and our Waste Infrastructure Development Programme (WIDP) transactor and that we have not been in a position to make any financial commitment until we receive the required funding and although we have now received capital funding, without confirmation of the revenue funding there is still a risk that we could have the infrastructure, vehicles and caddies but insufficient funding to deliver the service on a weekly basis.</p> <p>We have maintained a constant positive communication through monthly meeting with our nominated WIDP transactor. The advice from DEFRA has been to formally make the decision on direction of travel through the democratic process as we have the evidence that we have raised this issue at every meeting for over a year.</p>
<p>Capital costs, there has been no capital funding for the additional infrastructure cost including transfer stations additional storage bays, permit variation around storage time, additional RCV and staff parking/ welfare etc. Under our contract with Veolia this will fall under the qualified change in law and therefore this cost will fall upon the council, and the expectation is that this will be significant.</p>	<p>We have raised this issue with our WIDP transactor, DEFRA colleagues and through the recent consultation. DEFRA have confirmed that, we can make representations for funding regarding an area not already covered through an appeal.</p> <p>Requesting full details of cost from Veolia will ensure that we have a comprehensive understanding of actual contract costs compared to the generic KAT model.</p> <p>We have procured technical consultancy support for the whole of the contract to carry out a full and detailed analysis of these costs to ensure we have a robust argument if we appeal to DEFRA.</p>
<p>Revenue costs, there is no indication as the model to calculate this has not been or will be shared with WCAs if this is not announced in the November budget statement then we cannot deliver the service weekly.</p>	<p>Issuing the Authority Notice of change has ensured that we receive accurate and fully evidenced costs from Veolia which can be challenged and must demonstrate best endeavours are used to reduce the costs, requiring Veolia to model 3 weekly collections cost savings will also give an indication as to whether the move to 3 weekly collections</p>

	would be inevitable to be able to afford to collect food waste weekly, hence any savings would need to offset revenue costs to meet any potential funding gap.
The implementation of a weekly food waste collection appears to be unaffordable and alternative options risk the loss of capital and revenue funding	<p>DEFRA have stated that this funding will be provided on a non-ringfenced basis. However, it is important to note that this funding is allocated specifically for the additional responsibilities and costs arising from the weekly food waste collection service roll-out, if the money is not exhausted delivering the project, they will request that it is used for the delivery of other waste improvements.</p> <p>The potential use of the funding to deliver other alternative options would require legal advice and DEFRA approval</p>

5. Financial Implications

5.1 The Council has received funding of £835,945 to cover the cost of these transitional activities and this has been split across two financial years 2024/25 and 2025/26. The funding has been split due to financial planning reasons due to available budgets in each year and may not align to activities that would occur in sequential order. This funding has been provided on a non-ringfenced basis. However, it is important to note that this funding is allocated specifically for the additional responsibilities and costs arising from the weekly food waste collection service rollout.

5.2 New burdens funding for capital and resource for delivery that has been provided to date is £3,627,036

Table 5.3

Funding	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
Capital Transitional Funding (vehicles/caddies)	2,791,092			
Resource Transitional Funding (officers time, project management, caddie delivery, communication)		561,709	274,235	
Ongoing Revenue (staff and vehicles)				TBC
	2,791,092	561,709	274,235	

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	274,235			
Total Funding	3,627,036			

5.4 If option 3 detailed within table 7.8 is considered the best option for the council, it is estimated that this could cost an additional circa £3.8m to implement. Appendix 1 states that councils will receive additional money detailed within the budget settlement in December 2026; this has not been the case.

5.5 As detailed in the MTFS cabinet paper 21 January 2026, 'The Provisional Local Government Settlement has been calculated based on the outcomes from the Fair Funding Review undertaken in the summer of 2025 and has resulted in the consolidation of a number of other specific grants previously received. The intention of the Fair Funding Review was to accurately reflect the costs involved in providing services in local government. Following consultation, the government has decided to remove all remoteness related funding to the Area Cost Adjustments except for Social Care, and as a result, the provisional settlement is £4.4m less than had originally been anticipated. Combined with the loss of Rural Services Delivery Grant in 2025/26, this has resulted in a total loss of funding of £13.3m for Shropshire residents. This anticipated loss of funding was reflected in the Council's application for 2026/27 exceptional financial support'.

5.6 It is therefore difficult to see how the any new burdens money has been provided to the council when the settlement was in fact lower than anticipated, and no money ringfenced for weekly food waste collection.

6. Climate Change Appraisal

6.1 Significant model of the carbon impact of the existing base case collections service (as now) have already been undertaken as part of the food waste delivery programme. Local Partnerships applied the Waste & Resources Assessment Tool for the Environment (WRATE). This is a Life Cycle Assessment model developed by the Environment Agency specifically for the purpose of modelling municipal waste management system impact on the environment. The Kerbside Collection Tool (KAT) was also used to derive the vehicle mileages based on averages supplied by the current waste operator.

6.2 All emissions relating to global warming impacts (e.g. methane, carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide) are converted to kg of CO₂ equivalent, over a 100-year timeframe. This is standard practice for models considering carbon impacts of waste management processes.

6.3 The overall result for Shropshire was a carbon impact of the whole waste services of – 2,273,226 Kg CO₂ so an overall positive position due to carbon offsetting and mitigation. However, the introduction of 18 new collections rounds will inevitably increase our carbon impact but will be positively impacted in the amount of food waste diverted for treatment through the ERF.

7. Background

7.1 The Environment Act came into force in April 2021 and sets out a framework for long term environmental goals and established new legal duties and powers for the government to take action to address various environmental challenges and is a significant step in the UK achieving a more sustainable and greener future.

7.2 A New Burden is defined as any policy or initiative which increases the cost of providing local authority services. This includes duties, powers, or any other changes which may place an expectation on local authorities, including new guidance this only applies where central government requires authorities to do something new or additional

7.3 Improved consistency in recycling collections relates to the standardisation of recycling collections to ensure that there is consistency in the types of materials accepted for recycling, the collection methods and the overall effectiveness and efficiency of the whole process. The principal aims are to increase recycling rates, reduce contamination as there will be clear and consistent messaging and conserve valuable natural resources whilst reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

7.4 The Simpler Recycling Legislation came into effect in March 2025 and aims to standardise recycling across England and includes the requirement that all households are required to have a weekly food waste collection from 31 March 2026.

7.5 Officers from the Council have been part of the DEFRA Food Waste Project since 2023 and through the Local Partnerships we were successful in gaining funding to conduct a detailed study to explore the cost, carbon and operational implications of introducing a weekly food waste collection system across Shropshire.

7.6 Detailed modelling work was undertaken and the Kerbside Analysis Tool (KAT) produced by WRAP was utilised to provide a comparative assessment of the capital costs and the additional operational costs of six alternative collection options compared to the baseline (current) service.

7.7 According to DEFRA's exemptions and statutory guidance for Simpler Recycling, Local Authorities can also choose whether to co-collect food and garden waste, factors that may influence their choice include geographic and demographic nature of the area and the infrastructure available.

7.8 The requirement for the Council to provide this service has fallen as 'new burden' duty and both capital funding for vehicles and bins of £2,791m and transitional funding for project management, communications and bin delivery of £835,944 has already been provided, throughout the last three years officers have continually raised their concerns regarding the lack of clarity from Government on both the amount of revenue that will be provided and also the mechanism and have made it clear that due to the Council's financial position we have been unable to make any commitments until such time that the amount of revenue funding was confirmed.

7.9 Option Table

Option	Narrative	Resources needed	Cost implications	Risks	Mitigations
1) Do nothing	We stay as we are, collecting residual waste recycling and paid for garden waste fortnightly	N/A	N/A	The council would be in breach of our mandatory statutory duty to implement a weekly food waste collection and could result in a judicial review, financial redress or fines	Implement a fortnightly collection of food waste in the first instance
2) Introduce a fortnightly collection of food waste to all households collected with garden waste	The waste contract has the provision for the fortnightly collection of 'kitchen waste' with garden waste. In this instance all households would receive a fortnightly collection of their food waste, and this would be collected alongside the paid for garden waste and emptied into the same vehicle.	This would require some negotiation with Veolia and the establishment of a small project team delivery team.	This is expected to be negligible, although may require 1 or 2 additional vehicles, but will be dependent on further negotiation. The cost associated with the purchase of the 23 litre food waste bins, kitchen caddies and delivery has already been provided through the new burdens funding.	The council would still be in breach of our mandatory statutory duty to implement a weekly food waste collection and could result in a judicial review, financial redress or fines	Implement of a fortnightly collection of food waste only to all households. This alongside the fortnightly collection of food with garden waste would ensure that food waste is collected weekly albeit in different vehicles. Note we could start food collection with the fortnightly paid for garden collections from the 1 April 2026 pending the roll out of food waste bins and caddies to all households
3) Weekly food collection by	This is the preferred option from the	This would require the establishment of a project	The operational delivery of this option	It would appear at this moment in time	Officers continue to engage with DEFRA to

<p>introducing a fortnightly separate collection of food waste only</p> <p>modelling of options undertaken and alongside the fortnightly collection of food with garden waste will ensure all households receive a week collection of food so collection Week 1 – food collected with paid for garden waste, Week 2 food only collection, Week 3 – food with paid for garden waste, Week 4 – food only collection</p> <p>Residual waste and recycling stay as they are</p>	<p>delivery team, however the procurement of vehicles, food waste bins, kitchen caddies, delivery and the recruitment of staff would fall under Veolia's responsibility.</p>	<p>has been modelled and associated cost through the contract payment mechanism provided. Indicative cost shows a revenue budget requirement of circa £3.8m per annum this includes the requirement for 52 additional staff and 20 vehicles and a shortfall in capital of circa £4.2m</p>	<p>insufficient revenue funding to implement this option has been provided as part of the council's settlement as indicated by government.</p> <p>Implementation of this option presently would require an additional £3.8m per annum or £15.2m over the settlement period of unbudgeted revenue to be included in the MTFS.</p> <p>The additional capital cost would need to be included in the capital programme</p> <p>Even if agreed this option cannot be implemented until April 2027 at the earliest as this is dependent on vehicle manufacturers build time (presently 12 to 18 months).</p> <p>The risk therefore remains that: The council would still be in breach of our mandatory duty to implement a weekly food</p>	<p>seek support/advice on how the council can deliver weekly food waste collections given the current financial crisis</p> <p>Formal notice should be given to DEFRA that the council is unable to adhere to the implementation date and negotiate transitional arrangements with a deferred implementation date and this will include a TEEP assessment</p> <p>Further to the details set out as part of the provisional Government Settlement and as part of the consultation the council formally raise our concerns regarding insufficient revenue funding for the council to fulfil this new burden with Government.</p>
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8 Additional Information

8.1 Undertaking a Technically, Environmentally and Economically Practicable' (TEEP) Assessment would be beneficial in the council making the case for delivering a service that is the most effective and financially sustainable within the existing contractual requirements, available new burdens funding and Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) and this can be submitted to Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) to justify the council position and any transitional arrangements for example introducing the fortnightly collection of food with garden waste as part of a phased approach.

9 Conclusions

9.1 The implementation of the requirement to provide weekly food waste collections to all households in Shropshire from April 2026 does not seem to be achievable. This due to the delays in the provision of the required revenue funding and officers have worked with both DEFRA and Veolia to find the most cost-effective solution, and due to the councils financial position with no available revenue within the general fund through the MTFS we have not been in a position to make any commitment of capital for example vehicles without the budget for staff and running cost.

9.2 The waste PFI contract is complex and there has been a significant amount of work undertaken to fully understand the actual costs whilst finding the most cost-effective solution. The council now have detailed costs for the separate fortnightly collection of food waste which have been challenged and scrutinised, and we can demonstrate to central government the additional financial burden and challenges the council faces to implement the phased weekly collection of food waste whilst still delivering a fortnightly one.

9.3 Options have been developed to consider a transition approach; however this would need to be agreed by DEFRA and the council needs to understand the potential risks associated with the delayed implementation.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)

Local Member: *ALL*

Appendices GD No 31 7989 Weekly Food Waste Transition Letter – letter confirming ongoing resource funding for food waste services from April 2026 will be included in the Local Government settlement



Dear Chief Executives,

Food waste collections – Year 2 transitional resource grant to support the delivery of weekly food waste collections.

On behalf of the Secretary of State for Department for Environment, Food, and Rural Affairs, I am writing to confirm Defra intends to make the second and final transitional resource grant payment under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003. I attach a signed Grant Determination Form.

This funding follows on from the capital transitional funding for weekly food waste collections that was provided in 2023/24 financial year and the first year of transitional resource funding that was provided on 4 March 2025. While the capital funding was intended for the purchasing of kerbside caddies, kitchen caddies, communal bins and waste collection vehicles, the resource grant payment is intended to cover the following transitional resource costs of weekly food waste collections:

- Officer time for procuring food waste containers and vehicles
- Communicating service changes with residents
- Distributing food waste containers to households
- Developing and optimising new food waste collection rounds
- Project management tasks associated with a service change of this nature

Where a waste collection authority does not currently have a food waste service that is compliant with the Environment Act 2021 requirements, and they made an investment after 31 March 2023 to implement that service, reasonable transitional funding costs are funded in accordance with the New Burdens Doctrine. This funding will be provided to waste collection authorities that have either needed to partly or completely roll-out a service. In line with the New Burdens Doctrine, we do not fund investments made before this date.

As confirmed in the outcomes of the [Spending Review 2025](#), ongoing resource funding for food waste services from 1 April 2026 will be included in the Local Government settlement. This approach reflects the Government's wider commitment, set out in the Fair Funding Review 2.0 consultation, to simplify the local government funding system by consolidating as much revenue funding as possible across service areas. Further details will be set out as part of the provisional Local Government Finance Settlement later this year, which will be subject to consultation in the usual way.

The funding formula for this transitional resource funding was developed in collaboration with the Waste and Resources Action Programme (WRAP). It was developed to calculate the cost to waste collection authorities and unitary authorities of introducing or expanding a weekly food waste collection service. The model, and subsequent funding, takes into account the extent of a food waste service provided by local authorities as indicated on the LA Portal. This is consistent with the previous tranche of new burdens funding for capital expenditure and has accounted for any amendments to funding that have been made following appeals. Please note that the policy and financial decisions on unit costs are final, we will therefore not be considering appeals on this basis.

A breakdown of the funding allocations by financial year can be found in annex A.

The elements included in the funding model for this funding were deemed the most prominent aspects that local authorities must address when introducing or expanding a separate food waste collection service. These costs were deemed unavoidable and apply to most local authorities. In each case, robust data was captured through our work with WRAP, local authorities and service providers specific to each component. The categories, conditions and values used within the model were shared with local authority networks (including the Local Government Association (LGA), District Councils Network (DCN) and the Local Authority Recycling Advisory Committee (LARAC)) and their feedback was considered as we developed funding allocations. We do not intend to share the financial model due to its sensitive nature and complexity.

This is the second funding payment and covers this financial year (2025/26). It is intended for procurement and communications costs. The funding was split into two payments due to financial planning reasons and available budgets in each year and may not align to activities that would occur in sequential order. This funding will be provided on a non-ringfenced basis. It is important to note that this funding is allocated specifically for the additional responsibilities and costs arising from the weekly food waste collection service roll-out. This grant will be published, as is standard practice, and will therefore be publicly available.

We intend to issue the funding to the bank accounts previously provided for the first resource funding allocations in March 2025; should this be an issue **please contact us as soon as possible** or if you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact recycling@defra.gov.uk.

Detail on the funding formula for the transitional resource funding

As set out above, a model has been developed to calculate the cost to waste collection authorities and unitary authorities of mobilising a food waste collection service, where this is required to comply with regulations. The model, and subsequent transitional resource funding, takes into account the extent of a food waste service provided by local authorities (as detailed on the WRAP portal) as of March 2023. This is consistent with the previous tranche of new burdens funding for capital expenditure. This funding has also accounted for changes to household numbers that were made through the appeals process for capital funding amounts. Local authority requests for an increased allocation based on household numbers will therefore not be actioned as there has been sufficient time for appeals on this basis through the capital funding.

The cost modelling for the new burdens funding formula, which took place in 2023 and 2024, took inflation into account by conducting market research on the most recent industry prices on all aspects being funded. WRAP, who provide us with their unit price assumptions, regularly review those and use their network to inform projections on how inflationary pressure may impact future prices.

Through engagement with service providers and local authorities, it was clear that some costs would be incurred on a per property basis, whilst others would apply more broadly to the local authority. For example, it is appropriate to include the cost of delivering containers on a per household basis but not appropriate to do similar for the cost of procuring the containers and vehicles, for which a flat 'per authority' cost has been incorporated. Where all properties already receive a compliant weekly food waste collection service, transitional funding has not been provided.

As stated above, we have accounted for property number corrections through the capital appeals process and these updated numbers have been accounted for in this funding. We also consider the policy and financial decisions on unit costs as final. If you would like to make representations for this funding regarding an area not mentioned above, then please contact recycling@defra.gov.uk. We will process appeals relating to this funding in the 2025/26 financial year. As these funding allocations were set out in our earlier letter of 3 March 2025 regarding the 2024/25 allocations, the

deadline for submitting an appeal against this funding allocation remains **30 September 2025**. We will not consider appeals after this date.

After reviewing the available evidence, and as communicated in our letter of 4 March 2025, Defra has decided not to fund the provision of caddy liners. The available evidence on whether caddy liners increase participation rates is inconclusive, as results vary depending on local circumstances and other interventions. While some studies suggest a positive impact, others show little or no effect. In this context, we have determined that value for money of funding provision of caddy liners cannot be proven at this stage. Local authorities may still choose to provide caddy liners using their new burdens or other funding if they find it beneficial in their context. We will keep the evidence under review and consider the value for money case for investment going forward.

Additionally, the communication activities outlined and funded are considered appropriate for the reasonable implementation or expansion of an efficient food waste collection service. Door-to-door resident engagement is more resource intensive than other communication activities and may be more appropriate as a targeted intervention to engage non-service users. However, as mentioned above, funding for resident engagement is not ringfenced and therefore local authorities can use this for food waste communication activities deemed most appropriate for local circumstances, including face-to-face engagement.

To explain how the funding was calculated we have provided a breakdown of unit costs and some examples to show LAs at different stages of adopting the scheme and with different classifications in annex B.

In order to support local authorities in delivering a food waste collection service, WRAP has developed a range of tools to help local authorities with the procurement of food waste equipment including [standard specifications](#), [procurement guidance](#) and a [joint procurement database](#). WRAP will be providing webinars and other resources to help share knowledge, experience, and good practice across local authorities. A series of webinars commenced on 9 July, and detail of all WRAP's forthcoming webinars for local authorities can be found [here](#). Please contact WRAP at policysupportevidence@wrap.ngo if you are interested in more details about how WRAP can help with your procurement.

Financial and fraud management

We will need you to confirm that appropriate measures have been taken to ensure the proper administration of financial affairs concerning this grant funding. We are therefore including a

template to create a letter of assurance in annex C. You will need to use your own formal letter heading/template. We kindly request that you return the signed letter of assurance by 31 March 2026 to provide the necessary assurance of proper financial management.

I ask that authorities with waste collection responsibilities provide financial reporting on the spend of this funding. Reporting should be sent to recycling@defra.gov.uk. So that the reporting is not burdensome, we will not be expecting a template to be completed. Therefore, please provide the reporting that is used internally. The first reporting submission is expected by 31 October 2025, with subsequent quarterly submissions until 31 March 2026. Government is keen to demonstrate commitment to the food waste policy and is looking to publish a summary of the financial reporting for transparency. If this funding is not exhausted delivering the project, we will request it to be used for delivering waste collection improvements.

Local authorities must ensure that robust arrangements are in place to manage fraud risk, including ensuring that project deliverers have a robust fraud risk management process and pay particular attention to projects that involve the payment of grants to beneficiaries e.g. businesses.

Local authorities are expected to ensure that all legal and other statutory obligations and consents will be adhered to, which may include, but not solely, state aid / subsidy control, equalities duties, procurement, health and safety, and fraud prevention. Local authorities have prerogative to establish internal governance and assurance arrangements as they see fit to achieve this.

Local authorities will ensure data can be shared for the prevention and detection of fraud by including the following clause in all agreements with companies or external entities: "Data may be shared with other public bodies and enforcement agencies for the prevention, detection and investigation of fraud."

Local authorities should make Defra aware of suspected fraud and error within the grant.

Yours sincerely,



Emma Bourne OBE
Director
Circular Economy

**REVENUE grant determination (non-ringfenced)
(Food Waste Collection) GRANT DETERMINATION (2026): No
31/7989.**

The Secretary of State for Department for Environment, Food, and Rural Affairs ("the Minister of State"), in exercise of the powers conferred by section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003, makes the following determination:

Citation

1) This determination may be cited as the Food Waste Collection Determination (2026) [No31/7989].

Purpose of the grant

2) The purpose of the grant is to provide support to local authorities in England towards expenditure lawfully incurred or to be incurred by them.

Determination

3) The Secretary of State determines the authorities to which the grant is to be paid and the amount of grant to be paid. The authorities and the amounts are set out in Annex D.

Treasury consent

4) Before making this determination in relation to local authorities in England, the Secretary of State obtained the consent of the Treasury.

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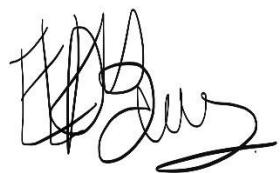
5) The Grant Recipient shall at all times during and following the end of the Funding Period:

5.1 comply with requirements of the Branding Manual in relation to the Funded Activities; and

5.2 cease use of the Funded by UK Government logo on demand if directed to do so by the Authority.

6) **Branding Manual** means the HM Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland 'Funded by UK Government branding manual' first published by the Cabinet Office in November 2022 and is available at <https://gcs.civilservice.gov.uk/guidance/marketing/branding-guidelines/> including any subsequent updates from time to time.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Department for Environment, Food, and Rural Affairs.



Emma Bourne OBE
Director Circular Economy

2 September 2025

Annex A: Overall transitional resource funding per LA

Local Authority	2024/25		2025/26		Total
	Container delivery	Project management	Procurement	Communications	
Adur District Council	£95,551.91	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£47,073.64	£211,625.55
Amber Valley Borough Council	£185,696.55	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£99,977.42	£354,673.97
Arun District Council	£226,360.59	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£130,737.36	£426,097.95
Ashfield District Council	£160,817.59	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£92,882.19	£322,699.78
Ashford Borough Council	£16,370.59	£19,561.40	£2,000.00	£9,100.60	£47,032.59
Babergh District Council	£228,633.62	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£110,112.41	£407,746.03
Barking and Dagenham Council	£244,423.17	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£122,535.14	£435,958.31
Barnet Council	£481,445.56	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£225,404.27	£780,849.83
Basildon District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	£250,803.82	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£131,700.05	£451,503.87
Bassetlaw District Council	£176,425.52	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£97,003.02	£342,428.55
Bath and North East Somerset Council	£3,830.72	£15,799.63	£2,000.00	£2,212.48	£23,842.82
Bedford	£274,148.19	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£139,626.17	£482,774.36
Bexley Council	£62,113.00	£28,885.61	£2,000.00	£22,814.25	£115,812.86
Birmingham City Council	£1,283,790.00	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£705,240.86	£2,063,030.86
Blaby District Council	£129,506.87	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£74,389.35	£272,896.22
Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council	£188,380.32	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£105,468.28	£362,848.61
Blackpool Borough Council	£183,945.00	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£111,628.64	£364,573.64

Bolsover District Council	£126,020.79	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£70,056.42	£265,077.21
Boston Borough Council	£104,041.45	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£57,754.85	£230,796.30
Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council	£296,716.24	£46,475.30	£2,000.00	£137,503.02	£482,694.56
Bracknell Forest Borough Council	£45,732.22	£24,560.53	£2,000.00	£13,944.84	£86,237.60
Bradford City Metropolitan District Council	£676,179.71	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£390,535.96	£1,140,715.67
Braintree District Council	£69,956.56	£25,860.03	£2,000.00	£26,371.05	£124,187.64
Breckland Council	£219,851.43	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£119,135.48	£407,986.91
Brent Council	£44,463.60	£25,644.47	£2,000.00	£16,077.39	£88,185.46
Brentwood Borough Council	£13,423.88	£21,617.01	£2,000.00	£7,472.46	£44,513.35
Brighton and Hove Council	£396,830.00	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£208,017.37	£678,847.37
Bristol City Council	£38,055.54	£23,435.85	£2,000.00	£20,242.16	£83,733.55
Broadland District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Bromley Council	£23,427.52	£22,388.96	£2,000.00	£8,460.00	£56,276.47
Bromsgrove District Council	£140,695.38	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£78,214.20	£287,909.58
Broxbourne Borough Council	£31,978.70	£24,019.43	£2,000.00	£9,654.34	£67,652.47
Broxtowe Borough Council	£149,923.26	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£86,590.04	£305,513.30
Buckinghamshire Council	£126,049.07	£26,393.29	£2,000.00	£49,465.16	£203,907.52
Burnley Borough Council	£204,896.92	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£62,477.94	£336,374.86
Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council	£28,212.35	£18,250.00	£2,000.00	£8,602.62	£57,064.97
Cambridge City and South Cambs Councils	£515,465.23	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£231,744.04	£821,209.26
Camden Council	£89,031.02	£30,001.69	£2,000.00	£32,856.66	£153,889.36

Cannock Chase Council	£134,782.18	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£76,702.89	£280,485.07
Canterbury City Council	£12,954.17	£17,048.33	£2,000.00	£3,950.04	£35,952.53
Castle Point Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Central Bedfordshire	£101,669.49	£27,685.84	£2,000.00	£30,568.47	£161,923.80
Charnwood Borough Council	£228,682.24	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£132,078.26	£429,760.49
Chelmsford Borough Council	£29,310.79	£23,018.32	£2,000.00	£16,928.81	£71,257.93
Cheltenham Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Cherwell District Council	£11,648.24	£16,621.23	£2,000.00	£3,155.54	£33,425.00
Cheshire East	£505,161.38	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£291,762.21	£870,923.59
Cheshire West and Chester	£56,424.71	£23,781.82	£2,000.00	£17,205.23	£99,411.76
Chesterfield Borough Council	£154,631.79	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£84,075.25	£307,707.04
Chichester District Council	£222,659.27	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£108,617.12	£400,276.39
Chorley Borough Council	£183,454.62	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£97,982.47	£350,437.09
City of London	£14,422.10	£37,481.20	£2,000.00	£5,188.86	£59,092.16
Colchester Borough Council	£54,680.24	£21,862.79	£2,000.00	£16,673.31	£95,216.34
Cornwall	£914,857.23	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£508,579.75	£1,497,436.98
Cotswold District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
County Durham	£837,733.77	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£460,726.15	£1,372,459.92
Coventry City Council	£385,786.75	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£229,356.07	£689,142.82
Crawley Borough Council	£130,987.11	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£70,846.62	£270,833.73
Croydon Council	£20,645.86	£21,749.78	£2,000.00	£7,554.31	£51,949.95
Dacorum Borough Council	£2,902.06	£15,787.88	£2,000.00	£1,676.12	£22,366.06
Darlington Borough Council	£154,751.98	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£87,359.83	£311,111.80
Dartford Borough Council	£159,213.82	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£79,777.27	£307,991.09
Derby City Council	£300,085.35	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£169,916.94	£544,002.29

Derbyshire Dales District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Dorset Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Dover District Council	£14,676.78	£17,366.62	£2,000.00	£3,975.98	£38,019.38
Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council	£430,962.56	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£248,091.77	£753,054.33
Ealing Council	£90,878.30	£30,124.02	£2,000.00	£33,304.19	£156,306.51
East Cambridgeshire District Council	£134,998.42	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£75,047.19	£279,045.61
East Devon District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
East Hampshire District Council	£191,679.94	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£106,557.11	£367,237.05
East Hertfordshire District Council	£255,479.01	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£118,328.32	£442,807.33
East Lindsey District Council	£245,558.82	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£136,509.00	£451,067.82
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	£534,289.09	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£293,697.65	£901,986.74
East Staffordshire Borough Council	£180,507.39	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£95,159.79	£344,667.18
East Suffolk Council	£408,033.86	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£217,487.04	£699,520.89
Eastbourne Borough Council	£126,310.25	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£77,689.29	£272,999.54
Eastleigh Borough Council	£14,303.66	£17,626.77	£2,000.00	£4,357.37	£38,287.80
Elmbridge Borough Council	£6,852.15	£16,354.36	£2,000.00	£2,342.44	£27,548.95
Enfield Council	£176,090.00	£41,364.34	£2,000.00	£72,780.34	£292,234.68
Epping Forest Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Epsom and Ewell Borough Council	£2,702.90	£16,214.43	£2,000.00	£991.90	£21,909.22
Erewash Borough Council	£154,337.29	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£89,139.41	£312,476.71
Exeter City Council	£132,693.06	£57,647.22	£2,000.00	£73,085.15	£265,425.43

Fareham Borough Council	£156,119.69	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£83,370.61	£308,490.29
Fenland District Council	£169,208.82	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£89,417.36	£327,626.18
Forest of Dean District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Fylde Borough Council	£121,294.76	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£67,513.24	£257,808.00
Gedling Borough Council	£166,708.04	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£92,438.40	£328,146.44
Gloucester City Council	£16,183.11	£19,087.11	£2,000.00	£6,081.27	£43,351.50
Gosport Borough Council	£95,229.20	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£58,572.36	£222,801.56
Gravesham Borough Council	£23,526.00	£22,398.05	£2,000.00	£9,785.43	£57,709.48
Great Yarmouth Borough Council	£151,260.37	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£78,388.56	£298,648.93
Greenwich Council	£88,884.24	£30,479.01	£2,000.00	£32,618.27	£153,981.52
Guildford Borough Council	£8,511.64	£16,739.93	£2,000.00	£3,498.40	£30,749.97
Hackney Council	£39,902.68	£24,617.93	£2,000.00	£14,643.28	£81,163.89
Halton Borough Council	£170,443.46	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£97,776.39	£337,219.85
Hammersmith and Fulham Council	£243,225.62	£64,359.21	£2,000.00	£127,862.11	£437,446.94
Harborough District Council	£144,526.10	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£80,343.74	£293,869.84
Haringey Council	£90,883.80	£32,633.79	£2,000.00	£38,345.83	£163,863.42
Harlow District Council	£35,785.68	£27,967.89	£2,000.00	£13,132.44	£78,886.01
Harrow Council	£67,883.96	£25,097.22	£2,000.00	£24,911.70	£119,892.88
Hart District Council	£132,436.87	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£69,774.35	£271,211.21
Hartlepool Borough Council	£126,357.09	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£70,415.18	£265,772.26
Hastings Borough Council	£124,410.73	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£70,158.10	£263,568.83
Havant Borough Council	£132,900.90	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£81,742.98	£283,643.88
Havering Council	£293,519.08	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£163,831.90	£531,350.98

Herefordshire Council	£302,475.36	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£160,304.76	£531,780.11
Hertsmere Borough Council	£152,876.58	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£77,579.84	£299,456.42
High Peak Borough Council	£161,874.67	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£80,521.46	£311,396.13
Hillingdon Council	£88,998.80	£31,254.74	£2,000.00	£32,660.31	£154,913.86
Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council	£177,202.40	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£94,382.30	£340,584.70
Horsham District Council	£239,642.93	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£119,066.10	£427,709.03
Hounslow Council	£57,677.38	£27,829.64	£2,000.00	£20,961.83	£108,468.86
Huntingdonshire District Council	£283,536.74	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£147,522.38	£500,059.13
Hyndburn Borough Council	£108,682.10	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£62,770.69	£240,452.80
Ipswich Borough Council	£112,617.34	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£68,925.29	£250,542.63
Isle of Wight Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Islington Council	£221,960.00	£48,530.97	£2,000.00	£80,923.52	£353,414.49
Kings Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council	£815.38	£15,103.81	£2,000.00	£217.95	£18,137.14
Kingston-upon-Hull City Council	£293,322.98	£65,916.71	£2,000.00	£170,671.88	£531,911.58
Kirklees Metropolitan Borough Council	£547,908.71	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£316,509.18	£938,417.89
Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council	£179,860.68	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£109,149.38	£358,010.06
Lambeth Council	£196,900.00	£41,343.28	£2,000.00	£72,257.32	£312,500.61
Lancaster City Council	£185,057.30	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£105,878.87	£359,936.17
Leeds City Council Metropolitan Borough Council	£1,168,609.24	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£595,022.05	£1,837,631.29
Leicester City Council	£395,806.60	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£213,496.75	£683,303.35
Lewes District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00

Lewisham Council	£221,960.00	£42,704.23	£2,000.00	£81,411.74	£348,075.97
Lichfield District Council	£161,816.76	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£87,666.78	£318,483.54
Lincoln City Council	£119,074.90	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£69,290.26	£257,365.16
Liverpool City Council	£587,828.04	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£324,305.63	£986,133.67
Luton Borough Council	£229,507.27	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£126,063.48	£424,570.75
Maidstone Borough Council	£16,010.51	£17,420.90	£2,000.00	£4,881.99	£40,313.40
Maldon District Council	£9,901.00	£17,966.44	£2,000.00	£2,682.21	£32,549.65
Malvern Hills District Council	£136,277.23	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£70,313.54	£275,590.77
Mansfield District Council	£144,319.08	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£81,840.55	£295,159.63
Medway Borough Council	£108,552.29	£31,099.68	£2,000.00	£38,482.01	£180,133.98
Melton Borough Council	£84,936.85	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£44,231.40	£198,168.25
Merton Council	£49,411.25	£23,878.05	£2,000.00	£18,276.76	£93,566.06
Mid Devon District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Mid Suffolk District Council	£162,570.67	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£89,941.68	£321,512.35
Mid Sussex District Council	£210,958.41	£64,755.30	£2,000.00	£109,036.11	£386,749.82
Middlesbrough Borough Council	£175,618.75	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£98,997.95	£343,616.70
Milton Keynes Council	£31,870.55	£22,888.98	£2,000.00	£9,972.59	£66,732.13
Mole Valley District Council	£15,529.56	£18,698.06	£2,000.00	£4,598.71	£40,826.33
New Forest District Council	£284,502.91	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£149,133.46	£502,636.37
Newark and Sherwood District Council	£193,040.09	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£95,322.99	£357,363.09
Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council	£8,291.18	£17,595.46	£2,000.00	£4,788.67	£32,675.31
Newcastle-upon-Tyne City Council	£376,358.11	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£211,205.92	£661,564.03

Newham Council	£376,697.20	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£191,520.34	£642,217.54
North Devon District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
North East Derbyshire District Council	£159,079.55	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£88,434.17	£316,513.72
North East Lincolnshire Council	£229,792.08	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£129,260.52	£428,052.60
North Hertfordshire District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
North Kesteven District Council	£182,001.65	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£101,176.83	£352,178.48
North Lincolnshire Council	£252,252.70	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£137,363.47	£458,616.17
North Norfolk District Council	£192,381.80	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£97,485.70	£358,867.50
North Northamptonshire	£360,497.55	£57,655.12	£2,000.00	£198,103.73	£618,256.41
North Somerset Council	£31,823.53	£18,621.30	£2,000.00	£9,703.75	£62,148.59
North Tyneside Council	£264,200.61	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£157,172.10	£495,372.71
North Warwickshire Borough Council	£100,554.78	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£53,424.70	£222,979.48
North West Leicestershire District Council	£164,206.82	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£91,284.48	£324,491.30
Northumberland	£475,412.08	£70,336.00	£2,000.00	£264,314.24	£812,062.32
Norwich City Council	£8,121.30	£17,447.15	£2,000.00	£4,995.15	£32,563.59
Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council	£185,155.48	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£100,441.85	£354,597.34
Oadby and Wigston Borough Council	£63,277.16	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£37,563.47	£169,840.63
Oxford City Council	£10,385.58	£17,384.18	£2,000.00	£3,811.25	£33,581.01
Pendle Borough Council	£118,553.03	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£67,993.60	£255,546.63
Peterborough City Council	£71,673.57	£24,815.04	£2,000.00	£23,448.48	£121,937.09

Plymouth City Council	£323,013.52	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£173,145.43	£570,158.95
Portsmouth City Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Preston City Council	£189,098.15	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£109,332.96	£367,431.11
Reading Borough Council	£8,371.77	£17,580.47	£2,000.00	£5,149.20	£33,101.44
Redbridge Council	£297,805.81	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£163,582.13	£535,387.94
Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council	£191,622.94	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£110,674.20	£371,297.15
Redditch Borough Council	£93,771.97	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£56,793.56	£219,565.53
Reigate and Banstead Borough Council	£58,869.78	£25,413.31	£2,000.00	£17,811.89	£104,094.97
Ribble Valley Borough Council	£96,406.39	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£53,593.43	£218,999.83
Richmond upon Thames Council	£61,067.36	£25,934.77	£2,000.00	£24,216.21	£113,218.34
Rochford District Council	£399.68	£15,121.81	£2,000.00	£121.41	£17,642.89
Rossendale Borough Council	£107,377.96	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£59,692.66	£236,070.62
Rother District Council	£164,336.64	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£83,006.73	£316,343.37
Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea	£253,307.26	£64,490.54	£2,000.00	£131,448.39	£451,246.19
Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames	£25,582.68	£20,067.67	£2,000.00	£9,238.25	£56,888.60
Rugby Borough Council	£148,184.93	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£85,586.04	£302,770.97
Runnymede Borough Council	£41,864.61	£28,081.61	£2,000.00	£13,744.24	£85,690.46
Rushcliffe Borough Council	£162,861.33	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£88,187.71	£320,049.04
Rushmoor Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Rutland County Council	£61,032.83	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£32,360.23	£162,393.05
Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council	£336,600.20	£68,757.00	£2,000.00	£192,321.85	£599,679.06

Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council	£394,815.20	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£213,038.72	£681,853.92
Sevenoaks District Council	£171,858.44	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£95,538.10	£336,396.53
Shepway District Council	£12,907.15	£17,700.85	£2,000.00	£3,935.70	£36,543.70
Shropshire	£489,709.78	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£272,235.35	£835,945.12
Slough Borough Council	£165,640.00	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£85,892.65	£320,532.65
Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council	£297,037.73	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£154,291.06	£520,328.79
Somerset Waste Partnership	£75,064.74	£22,729.54	£2,000.00	£22,800.42	£122,594.70
South Derbyshire District Council	£134,238.82	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£74,624.92	£277,863.74
South Gloucestershire Council	£28,991.57	£24,190.91	£2,000.00	£16,945.87	£72,128.35
South Hams District Council	£77,616.23	£41,678.61	£2,000.00	£43,147.76	£164,442.61
South Holland District Council	£139,559.26	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£77,582.62	£286,141.88
South Kesteven District Council	£212,817.65	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£118,307.80	£400,125.45
South Norfolk Council	£212,530.34	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£117,759.66	£399,289.99
South Oxfordshire District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
South Ribble Borough Council	£146,495.93	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£84,610.54	£300,106.47
South Staffordshire Council	£168,930.87	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£89,432.86	£327,363.74
Southampton City Council	£372,926.75	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£180,784.79	£627,711.54
Southend-on-Sea Borough Council	£51,061.54	£23,687.27	£2,000.00	£18,553.88	£95,302.69
Southwark Council	£268,459.70	£47,185.32	£2,000.00	£100,312.11	£417,957.13
Spelthorne Borough Council	£37,280.00	£28,619.05	£2,000.00	£14,936.17	£82,835.21
St Albans City and District Council	£10,833.54	£17,043.46	£2,000.00	£3,303.40	£33,180.41

St Helens Metropolitan Borough Council	£38,886.03	£20,070.21	£2,000.00	£11,857.27	£72,813.51
Stafford Borough Council	£218,770.25	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£112,776.16	£400,546.41
Staffordshire Moorlands District Council	£157,219.14	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£83,382.93	£309,602.07
Stevenage Borough Council	£105,630.76	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£57,395.69	£232,026.45
Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council	£81,504.08	£30,244.59	£2,000.00	£39,530.03	£153,278.70
Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	£268,475.94	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£147,905.69	£485,381.62
Stoke-on-Trent City Council	£320,973.16	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£173,975.90	£568,949.06
Stratford-on-Avon District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Stroud District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Surrey Heath Borough Council	£4,556.23	£17,314.72	£2,000.00	£2,631.51	£26,502.46
Sutton Council	£63,297.98	£26,439.74	£2,000.00	£22,878.64	£114,616.36
Swale Borough Council	£38,728.05	£21,869.11	£2,000.00	£14,921.21	£77,518.37
Swindon Borough Council	£280,783.24	£66,280.00	£2,000.00	£146,145.30	£495,208.53
Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council	£33,545.27	£26,677.07	£2,000.00	£20,632.60	£82,854.94
Tamworth Borough Council	£88,866.28	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£53,451.71	£211,317.99
Tandridge District Council	£955.16	£15,222.55	£2,000.00	£258.75	£18,436.46
Teignbridge District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Telford and Wrekin Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Tendring District Council	£34,378.24	£22,378.38	£2,000.00	£19,111.26	£77,867.87
Test Valley Borough Council	£206,135.87	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£105,370.78	£380,506.64

Tewkesbury Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Thanet District Council	£17,900.00	£18,823.53	£2,000.00	£6,568.85	£45,292.38
Three Rivers District Council	£16,454.67	£22,826.92	£2,000.00	£9,503.60	£50,785.19
Thurrock Council	£214,069.07	£61,502.23	£2,000.00	£100,546.24	£378,117.54
Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council	£25,987.21	£19,083.49	£2,000.00	£7,040.01	£54,110.71
Torbay Council	£20,853.50	£19,506.77	£2,000.00	£7,534.87	£49,895.14
Torridge District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Tower Hamlets Council	£426,675.50	£62,987.24	£2,000.00	£156,700.89	£648,363.64
Trafford Metropolitan Borough Council	£62,851.70	£29,150.06	£2,000.00	£24,278.49	£118,280.25
Tunbridge Wells Borough Council	£36,309.96	£26,287.53	£2,000.00	£20,185.13	£84,782.63
Uttlesford District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Vale of White Horse District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council	£307,245.10	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£179,487.32	£560,732.42
Waltham Forest Council	£270,771.80	£67,495.72	£2,000.00	£145,034.91	£485,302.42
Wandsworth Council	£439,515.09	£71,204.86	£2,000.00	£215,522.07	£728,242.01
Warrington Borough Council	£306,483.02	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£161,146.21	£536,629.24
Warwick District Council	£55,954.64	£25,846.80	£2,000.00	£20,414.27	£104,215.71
Watford Borough Council	£38,037.50	£27,492.93	£2,000.00	£13,958.80	£81,489.24
Waverley Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Wealden District Council	£257,542.76	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£134,308.67	£460,851.43
Welwyn Hatfield Council	£147,057.35	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£76,928.94	£292,986.29

West Berkshire District Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
West Devon Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
West Lancashire Borough Council	£205,357.04	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£105,094.64	£379,451.68
West Lindsey District Council	£151,285.54	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£79,121.61	£299,407.15
West Northamptonshire	£76,068.66	£24,591.53	£2,000.00	£23,454.96	£126,115.15
West Oxfordshire District Council	£2,347.12	£15,440.25	£2,000.00	£627.39	£20,414.76
West Suffolk Council	£274,950.13	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£149,229.33	£493,179.46
Westminster City Council	£288,552.00	£57,369.77	£2,000.00	£124,149.03	£472,070.81
Wiltshire	£781,893.92	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£416,152.42	£1,272,046.35
Winchester City Council	£239,085.26	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£115,908.37	£423,993.64
Windsor and Maidenhead Borough Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council	£387,650.90	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£231,258.48	£692,909.38
Woking Borough Council	£362.98	£15,099.97	£2,000.00	£128.88	£17,591.82
Wokingham Council	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Wolverhampton Metropolitan Borough Council	£289,660.00	£72,000.00	£2,000.00	£172,831.34	£536,491.34
Worcester City Council	£149,488.40	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£80,750.01	£299,238.41
Worthing Borough Council	£149,632.00	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£77,966.88	£296,598.88
Wychavon District Council	£211,430.57	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£113,501.43	£393,931.99
Wyre Borough Council	£159,096.67	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£91,888.25	£319,984.92
Wyre Forest District Council	£149,009.94	£67,000.00	£2,000.00	£79,865.53	£297,875.47

Annex B: Breakdown of unit costs and funding examples

Breakdown of unit costs

Procurement

Procurement funding areas	Funding per unit
Officer time for procurement of containers and vehicles	£2,000 eligible per LA

- Standard process no matter the number of vehicles and containers being procured. Therefore, cost does not vary according to size.
- Based on time and salary.
- Calculated as 10 days Officer time, assuming Band 12 Officer salary (£40k) plus 30% on-costs = £2,000
- This allocation assumes procurement is done via a recognised professional buying organisation (PBO) framework. If LAs choose to procure without use of a PBO and associated framework, any additional costs will not be covered.
- The salary used to calculate officer time costs, and the amount of time allocated to tasks in scope, are at the upper end of what we observed from local authorities in practice. On this basis, costs have been applied consistently across all local authorities, save that they are applied pro rata according to the proportion of properties that currently do not receive a separate food waste collection service.

Communications

Procurement funding areas	Funding per item
Print and distribute teaser leaflet to households	55-81p per household
Print instructional leaflet to households (distributed in container delivery)	13p per household
Print and distribute residual bin sticker to households	38p per household
Print and distribute communal residual bin sticker	17p per bin
Print communal food bin sticker (distributed in container delivery)	24p per bin
Call Centre support costs	50p per household

- Price estimates have been taken from a number of sources, including WRAP guidance, printer/distribution companies and LA insights.

Container delivery

Procurement funding areas	Funding per unit
Container delivery cost - kerbside properties	£1.70-£2.20 per household
Container delivery cost - communal properties	£2.75-£4.75 per household
Agency staff cost: backfill crew work during distribution	55p-71p per household
Supervision delivery cost	28p-36p per household

- Paid per household
- The cost of distributing 1 x 5 litre kitchen caddy and 1 x 23 litre kerbside food caddy to each non-compliant household; and 1 x 5 litre kitchen caddy and 140 litre wheeled bin to communal properties
- Inclusion of an instructional leaflet in container delivery
- Container delivery cost is calculated according to a local authority's urban/rural classification
- Agency and supervision reflects costs to backfill scheduled collections whilst crews may undertake container distribution
- Pricing taken from WRAP work

Project delivery

Procurement funding areas	Funding per unit
Development of food waste collection rounds 100k or more households in LA area	£20,000 per eligible LA
Development of food waste collection rounds less than 100k households in LA area	£15,000 per eligible LA
Project management costs for rollout of service change	£52,000 for 1 FTE officer Tasks equate to 6-12 months FTE

Collection rounds

- The cost to an LA for a route optimisation provider to generate digital collection days and rounds for food waste collections from all properties. Includes key tasks of data import, setting parameters, developing draft outputs and round revision
- Information from route optimisation providers, LAs, LARAC and internal WRAP experience
- For most key tasks, resource is not impacted by size of LA. Round review stage likely to take longer for large LAs (100k+ properties)
- Paid at same rate for LAs expanding or rolling out for first time

- Only variation in price is number of properties
- The salary used to calculate project management costs, and the amount of time allocated to tasks in scope, are at the upper end of what we observed from local authorities in practice. On this basis, project management costs have been applied consistently across all local authorities, save that they are applied pro rata according to the proportion of properties that currently do not receive a separate food waste collection service.

Project management

- The cost to an LA of a project management resource to co-ordinate rollout. Includes key tasks of drafting reports, Councillor engagement, updating back-office systems, updates to health and safety documents, refinement of collection rounds
- Information from LAs, LARAC, LGA, internal WRAP experience
- Paid pro-rata for properties not currently serviced
- The salary used to calculate project management costs, and the amount of time allocated to tasks in scope, are at the upper end of what we observed from local authorities in practice. On this basis, project management costs have been applied consistently across all local authorities, save that they are applied pro rata according to the proportion of properties that currently do not receive a separate food waste collection service.

Example 1: LA with no existing food waste collection service

A local authority with 45,000 properties and no separate food waste collection currently in place. 42,000 properties will receive a kerbside collection, 3,000 properties will receive a communal collection. The local authority is in WRAP rurality classification 8 (predominantly rural, middle deprivation).

Funding category	Value
Procurement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Procurement of containers and vehicles. Capital cost of containers and vehicles already allocated. 	£2,000
Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Issue to kerbside and communal properties: Introductory scheme leaflet (pre rollout); Instructional leaflet (how to use the service); and Residual bin sticker. ○ Contact Centre support costs. 	£81,178
Container delivery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Delivery of food waste containers to kerbside and communal properties. 	£154,985

○ Temporary supervision and collection crew resource during container delivery.	
Project management	£67,000
○ Development of food waste collection rounds. ○ Project management of service change.	
Total	£305,163

Example 2: LA with food waste collection service for some properties

A local authority with 120,000 properties, of which 51,000 currently receive a separate weekly food waste collection. Of the remaining 69,000 properties, 62,000 will receive a communal collection and 7,000 properties will receive a kerbside collection. The local authority is in WRAP rurality classification 2 (predominantly urban, middle deprivation).

Funding category	Value
Procurement	£2,000
○ Procurement of containers and vehicles. Capital cost of containers and vehicles already allocated.	
Communications	£91,816
○ Issue to kerbside and communal properties: Introductory scheme leaflet (pre rollout); Instructional leaflet (how to use the service); and Residual bin sticker. ○ Contact Centre support costs.	
Container delivery	£239,670
○ Delivery of food waste containers to kerbside and communal properties. ○ Temporary supervision and collection crew resource during container delivery.	
Project management	£49,900
○ Development of food waste collection rounds. ○ Project management of service change.	
Total	£383,386

Annex C: Assurance Letter

Please refer to attached word doc and send this to recycling@defra.gov.uk

Annex D: Revenue Grant allocations to local authorities 2025 to 2026

Local Authority	Revenue Funding 2025/26
Adur District Council	£49,073.64
Amber Valley Borough Council	£101,977.42
Arun District Council	£132,737.36
Ashfield District Council	£94,882.19
Ashford Borough Council	£11,100.60
Babergh District Council	£112,112.41
Barking and Dagenham London Borough	£124,535.14
Barnet London Borough	£227,404.27
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	£133,700.05
Bassetlaw District Council	£99,003.02
Bath and North East Somerset Council	£4,212.48
Bedford UA	£141,626.17
Bexley London Borough	£24,814.25
Birmingham City Council	£707,240.86
Blaby District Council	£76,389.35
Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council	£107,468.28
Blackpool Borough Council	£113,628.64
Bolsover District Council	£72,056.42
Boston Borough Council	£59,754.85
Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council	£139,503.02
Bracknell Forest Borough Council	£15,944.84
Braintree District Council	£28,371.05
Breckland District Council	£121,135.48
Brent London Borough	£18,077.39
Brentwood Borough Council	£9,472.46
Brighton and Hove Council	£210,017.37
Bristol Council	£22,242.16
Bromley London Borough	£10,460.00
Bromsgrove District Council	£80,214.20
Broxbourne Borough Council	£11,654.34
Broxtowe Borough Council	£88,590.04
Buckinghamshire Council	£51,465.16
Burnley Borough Council	£64,477.94
Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council	£10,602.62
Cambridge City Council	£233,744.04
Camden London Borough	£34,856.66
Cannock Chase District Council	£78,702.89
Canterbury City Council	£5,950.04
Central Bedfordshire UA	£32,568.47

Charnwood Borough Council	£134,078.26
Chelmsford Borough Council	£18,928.81
Cherwell District Council	£5,155.54
Cheshire East UA	£293,762.21
Cheshire West and Chester UA	£19,205.23
Chesterfield Borough Council	£86,075.25
Chichester District Council	£110,617.12
Chorley Borough Council	£99,982.47
City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council	£392,535.96
City of London	£7,188.86
Colchester Borough Council	£18,673.31
Cornwall County UA	£510,579.75
Coventry City Council	£231,356.07
Crawley Borough Council	£72,846.62
Croydon London Borough	£9,554.31
Dacorum Borough Council	£3,676.12
Darlington Borough Council	£89,359.83
Dartford Borough Council	£81,777.27
Derby City Council	£171,916.94
Dover District Council	£5,975.98
Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council	£250,091.77
Durham County UA	£462,726.15
Ealing London Borough	£35,304.19
East Cambridgeshire District Council	£77,047.19
East Hampshire District Council	£108,557.11
East Hertfordshire District Council	£120,328.32
East Lindsey District Council	£138,509.00
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	£295,697.65
East Staffordshire Borough Council	£97,159.79
East Suffolk District Council	£219,487.04
Eastbourne Borough Council	£79,689.29
Eastleigh Borough Council	£6,357.37
Elmbridge Borough Council	£4,342.44
Enfield London Borough	£74,780.34
Epsom and Ewell Borough Council	£2,991.90
Erewash Borough Council	£91,139.41
Exeter City Council	£75,085.15
Fareham Borough Council	£85,370.61
Fenland District Council	£91,417.36
Fylde Borough Council	£69,513.24
Gedling Borough Council	£94,438.40

Gloucester City Council	£8,081.27
Gosport Borough Council	£60,572.36
Gravesham Borough Council	£11,785.43
Great Yarmouth Borough Council	£80,388.56
Greenwich London Borough	£34,618.27
Guildford Borough Council	£5,498.40
Hackney London Borough	£16,643.28
Halton Borough Council	£99,776.39
Hammersmith and Fulham London Borough	£129,862.11
Harborough District Council	£82,343.74
Haringey London Borough	£40,345.83
Harlow District Council	£15,132.44
Harrow London Borough	£26,911.70
Hart District Council	£71,774.35
Hartlepool Borough Council	£72,415.18
Hastings Borough Council	£72,158.10
Havant Borough Council	£83,742.98
Havering London Borough	£165,831.90
Herefordshire Council	£162,304.76
Hertsmere Borough Council	£79,579.84
High Peak Borough Council	£82,521.46
Hillingdon London Borough	£34,660.31
Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council	£96,382.30
Horsham District Council	£121,066.10
Hounslow London Borough	£22,961.83
Hull City Council	£172,671.88
Huntingdonshire District Council	£149,522.38
Hyndburn Borough Council	£64,770.69
Ipswich Borough Council	£70,925.29
Islington London Borough	£82,923.52
Kensington and Chelsea Royal Borough	£133,448.39
Kings Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council	£2,217.95
Kingston upon Thames Royal Borough	£11,238.25
Kirklees Council	£318,509.18
Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council	£111,149.38
Lambeth London Borough	£74,257.32
Lancaster City Council	£107,878.87
Leeds City Council Metropolitan Borough Council	£597,022.05
Leicester City Council	£215,496.75
Lewisham London Borough	£83,411.74
Lichfield District Council	£89,666.78

Lincoln City Council	£71,290.26
Liverpool City Council	£326,305.63
London Borough of Richmond upon Thames	£26,216.21
Luton Borough Council	£128,063.48
Maidstone Borough Council	£6,881.99
Maldon District Council	£4,682.21
Malvern Hills District Council	£72,313.54
Mansfield District Council	£83,840.55
Medway Borough Council	£40,482.01
Melton Borough Council	£46,231.40
Merton London Borough	£20,276.76
Mid Suffolk District Council	£91,941.68
Mid Sussex District Council	£111,036.11
Middlesbrough Borough	£100,997.95
Milton Keynes Council	£11,972.59
Mole Valley District Council	£6,598.71
New Forest District Council	£151,133.46
Newark and Sherwood District Council	£97,322.99
Newcastle City Council	£213,205.92
Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council	£6,788.67
Newham London Borough	£193,520.34
North East Derbyshire District Council	£90,434.17
North East Lincolnshire Council	£131,260.52
North Kesteven District Council	£103,176.83
North Lincolnshire Council	£139,363.47
North Norfolk District Council	£99,485.70
North Northamptonshire	£200,103.73
North Somerset Council	£11,703.75
North Tyneside Metropolitan Borough Council	£159,172.10
North Warwickshire Borough Council	£55,424.70
North West Leicestershire District Council	£93,284.48
Northumberland County UA	£266,314.24
Norwich City Council	£6,995.15
Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council	£102,441.85
Oadby and Wigston Borough Council	£39,563.47
Oxford City Council	£5,811.25
Pendle Borough Council	£69,993.60
Peterborough City Council	£25,448.48
Plymouth City Council	£175,145.43
Preston city Council	£111,332.96
Reading Borough Council	£7,149.20

Redbridge London Borough	£165,582.13
Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council	£112,674.20
Redditch Borough Council	£58,793.56
Reigate and Banstead Borough Council	£19,811.89
Ribble Valley Borough Council	£55,593.43
Rochford District Council	£2,121.41
Rossendale Borough Council	£61,692.66
Rother District Council	£85,006.73
Rugby Borough Council	£87,586.04
Runnymede Borough Council	£15,744.24
Rushcliffe Borough Council	£90,187.71
Rutland County Council	£34,360.23
Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council	£194,321.85
Sefton	£215,038.72
Sevenoaks District Council	£97,538.10
Shepway District Council	£5,935.70
Shropshire County UA	£274,235.35
Slough Borough Council	£87,892.65
Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council	£156,291.06
Somerset County Council	£24,800.42
South Derbyshire District Council	£76,624.92
South Gloucestershire Council	£18,945.87
South Hams District Council	£45,147.76
South Holland District Council	£79,582.62
South Kesteven District Council	£120,307.80
South Norfolk Council	£119,759.66
South Ribble Borough Council	£86,610.54
South Staffordshire District Council	£91,432.86
Southampton City Council	£182,784.79
Southend on Sea City Council	£20,553.88
Southwark London Borough	£102,312.11
Spelthorne Borough Council	£16,936.17
St Albans District Council	£5,303.40
St Helens Metropolitan Borough Council	£13,857.27
Stafford Borough Council	£114,776.16
Staffordshire Moorlands District Council	£85,382.93
Stevenage Borough Council	£59,395.69
Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council	£41,530.03
Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	£149,905.69
Stoke-on-Trent City Council	£175,975.90
Surrey Heath Borough Council	£4,631.51

Sutton London Borough	£24,878.64
Swale Borough Council	£16,921.21
Swindon Borough Council	£148,145.30
Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council	£22,632.60
Tamworth Borough Council	£55,451.71
Tandridge District Council	£2,258.75
Tendring District Council	£21,111.26
Test Valley Borough Council	£107,370.78
Thanet District Council	£8,568.85
Three Rivers District Council	£11,503.60
Thurrock Council	£102,546.24
Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council	£9,040.01
Torbay Borough Council	£9,534.87
Tower Hamlets London Borough	£158,700.89
Trafford Metropolitan Borough Council	£26,278.49
Tunbridge Wells Borough Council	£22,185.13
Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council	£181,487.32
Waltham Forest London Borough	£147,034.91
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Westminster City Council	£126,149.03
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Winchester City Council	£117,908.37
Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council	£233,258.48
Woking Borough Council	£2,128.88
Wolverhampton Metropolitan Borough Council	£174,831.34
Worcester City Council	£82,750.01
Worthing Borough Council	£79,966.88
Wychavon District Council	£115,501.43
Wyre Borough Council	£93,888.25
Wyre Forest	£81,865.53

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