

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS AND SUSTAINABILITY

WASTE AND RECYCLING

Landfill tonnages for the borough have dropped during 2010/11 financial year, with only 36,784.50 tonnes being taken to Whinney Hill, a reduction of 2,172 tonnes on the previous year.

The introduction of the 4 day working week for residual and commingled recycling collections has been implemented satisfactorily, which enabled the green waste collections to be moved to Friday and Saturdays to maximise vehicle utilisation.

Recycling tonnages for commingled collections (grey bin), have slightly increased for the financial year 2010/11, with 14,400 tonnes collected, an increase of 90 tonnes.

The recycling rates at the council's two Household Waste Recycling Centres has improved for 2010/11, with over 70% of waste recycled at the sites, compared to 65% for 2009/10.

RESIDUAL WASTES PROJECT

The project is progressing with two bidders seeking to find a long term solution for the treatment and landfill avoidance of the borough's waste. Bid returns are now planned to be received for May 2011.