

Under Performing Indicator Recovery Plan

2021/22 Quarter Three*

Indicator Name

Percentage of waste sent for reuse, recycling or composting

*This indicated is measured in arrears so reflects the position as at end of Q2.

Current Performance

Target: 48%

Performance: 45.42%

Historic Performance (from the start of the NOM service Oct 2019)

Column1	19/20	20/21	21/22
Q1	49.94%	48.36%	52.00%
Q2	51.40%	47%	45.42%
Q3	47.99%	52%	
Q4	51.68%	46.85%	

Reasons for Current Under Performance

This performance indicator combines the tonnages of recycled paper/card, plastic/cans and glass the tonnages of composting of garden waste and food divided by the overall tonnage of waste collected.

Following the introduction of the new recycling service in 2019 the quantity of material sent for recycling has increased. Conversely, the quantity of garden waste collected has decreased and this impacts on the overall composting and recycling rate reported.

The suspension of the garden waste service at the end of July has further reduced the tonnages collected, lowering our overall rate composting and recycling rate below target.

This decrease has been seen in the national DEFRA figures and is partly also due to the increase in the overall waste tonnages collected during the pandemic and increased working from home

However, focusing on the recycling element, there has been an 11% increase in the amount of recycling collected from residents. The council's tonnages increased from 5974 tonnes in the first half of 2020/21 to 6650 tonnes in 2021/22, an 11.3% increase.

Actions to Improve Under Performance

(or reasons why this is not necessary)

Continue to promote the recycling service, including the current campaign
www.pledge2recycle.co.uk/kent

Work with our collection contractor to restart the full garden waste collection service.