

Department: Environment
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Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your email dated 11th August 2018, which was received by the Greater London Authority on 11th August 2018.

Our response to your request is as follows:

Can you please share the below information with me:

1. *Amount of waste generated by London in the last 3 years, by waste categories.*
2. *What happens to the waste collected from each borough? How much of it is recycled, how much is biodegraded, burned, how much is exported for landfills etc.*

The amount of waste generated in London and by borough, and how it is managed can be accessed on DEFRA's website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/env18-local-authority-collected-waste-annual-results-tables>

(spreadsheet: Local authority collected waste generation from April 2000 to March 2017 (England and regions) and local authority data April 2016 to March 2017)

3. *What is London's waste management strategy? I understand we have a 2021 zero waste plan, but what are the interim milestones, and how we are tracking in that regard so far?*

The Mayor's waste management strategy London can be found in Chapter 7 in the Mayor's London Environment Strategy: www.london.gov.uk/enviroment. Chapter 7, sets out the Mayor's waste ambitions, targets, and policies and how London is performing against these so far. More information can be found in the Waste section of the Strategy Evidence base in Appendix 2.

Finally, thank you for your idea regarding a material deposit scheme to help cut waste. The Mayor supports material deposit return schemes that can help reduce waste and boost recycling, implemented at a national level. The Government is expected to publish its Resources and Waste Strategy this Autumn shortly followed by a specific consultation on deposit schemes. I encourage you to submit your idea as a consultation response.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, ensuring that you quote the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely



Principal Policy and Programme Officer

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