

Derbyshire Citizens' Panel Survey - September 2005



County level summary results

DERBYSHIRE'S JOINT MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

In order to protect the environment, European and national legislation has been developed to dramatically increase the amount of waste for recycling and reduce the amount of rubbish being buried in the ground in landfill sites. Strict targets have been set to achieve this and failure to meet these targets will mean that Derbyshire County and Derby City Councils may be faced with significant fines which could have an impact on the level of council tax you pay in the future.

To comply with this legislation, over the last year the County Council, City Council and all the district and borough councils have been working together to develop a Strategy to manage household rubbish over the next 20 years.

To achieve these targets we need your full support. Every Derbyshire resident has a part to play in reducing the amount of rubbish we produce and increasing the quantity of materials we sort and recycle.

Enclosed with this questionnaire, you will find a short summary of the key elements of the Strategy which will help you complete the following questions.

Awareness of Waste Issues

Q1. How aware are you of the issues outlined above? *(Please X one box only)*

Very aware	44.0%
Fairly aware	45.8%
Neither aware nor unaware	4.2%
Not really aware	4.5%
Not aware at all	1.4%

Q2. How concerned are you about the impact your rubbish is having on the environment?

(Please X one box only)

Very concerned	63.6%
Fairly concerned	32.3%
Neither concerned nor unconcerned	3.2%
Not really concerned	0.7%
Not concerned at all	0.2%

Waste Minimisation and Reuse

To protect the environment the Strategy is recommending that steps are taken to reduce the amount of rubbish that each of us produces.

Q3. What do you do now to reduce the rubbish you (and your family) produce?

(Please **X** all that apply)

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| 50.3% Home composting | 15.3% - Avoid disposable products such as nappies, razors, biro's and tissues |
| 37.2% - Buy products with less packaging | |
| 66.0% - Give unwanted gifts to charity | 3.0% - Use real nappies (i.e. washable) |
| 41.1% - Buy products made of recycled materials | 29.6% - Sell any unwanted items |
| 51.0% - Repair goods rather than throw them away | 4.3% - None of these |
| 48.8% - Take your own re-usable shopping bags to the shops or supermarkets | 8.8% - Other (Please X and specify below) |

Recycling and Composting

One key method to reduce the amount of rubbish that is buried is for you to separate it for recycling or composting.

Q4. Have you seen or heard any national/local advertising and promotion about recycling and composting within the last 12 months? (Please **X** one box only)

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| 80.6% - Yes | } If "Yes" then go to Q5 |
| 16.2% - No | |
| 3.2% - Don't know | } If "No" or "Don't know" then go to Q6 |

Q5. If "Yes", where did you see or hear it? (Please **X** all that apply)

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| 49.3% - Television | 7.7% - Through local schools |
| 18.5% - Radio | 8.9% - Information at local libraries |
| 36.4% - National newspapers and magazines | 7.2% - Derbyshire Waste Exhibition Vehicle |
| 60.2% - Local newspapers | 45.9% - Local council's newspapers |
| 46.5% - Leaflets | 4.5% - Local council's or other websites |
| 9.8% - Billboard posters | 11.9% - Local supermarket |
| 5.1% - On buses | 2.9% - Other (Please X and specify below) |

Currently, 23% of your rubbish is recycled or composted. To meet the targets this needs to increase up to 55%. This means that we will all need to put at least half of our current waste into separate recycling and composting containers/bins.

Q6. Do you separate your rubbish for recycling or composting now? (Please **X one** box only)

93.1% - Yes

6.6% - No

0.3% - Don't know

Q7. In light of the information provided will you separate your rubbish more in the future?

(Please **X one** box only)

39.4% - Yes - a lot more

41.6% - Yes - a bit more

14.5% - No

4.5% - Don't know

Q8. What materials do you currently separate for recycling or composting?

(Please **X all** that apply)

89.2% - Glass

12.4% - Batteries

92.6% - Paper

19.5% - Electrical items (e.g. video players)

77.5% - Cans/tins

43.6% - Plastic bottles (e.g. milk bottles)

59.0% - Card/cardboard

72.3% - Garden waste

43.7% - Textiles

32.9% - Food waste

4.3% - Other (Please **X** and specify)

Q9. What would you separate for recycling or composting if facilities were made available?

(Please **X all** that apply)

55.3% - Glass

54.1% - Batteries

55.1% - Paper

55.8% - Electrical items (e.g. video players)

55.4% - Cans/tins

68.2% - Plastic bottles (e.g. milk bottles)

59.9% - Card/cardboard

55.4% - Garden waste

49.5% - Textiles

46.9% - Food waste

9.0% - Other (Please **X** and specify)

Q10. Where would you like to be able to recycle these materials? (Please **X all** that apply)

At your kerbside

79.0%

At your nearest household waste recycling centre (i.e. civic amenity site)

35.2%

At your local recycling/bring site e.g. local supermarket car park, leisure centre etc.

45.6%

As part of a community recycling project

32.6%

Q11. Do you consciously buy recycled goods or goods containing recycled materials?

(Please **X one** box only)

33.7% - Yes

49.2% - No

17.1% - Don't know

If "Yes" what do you buy?

Residual Waste Treatment Disposal

Residual waste is the rubbish remaining after you have separated as much as possible for recycling and composting. To avoid burying this rubbish in the ground, the Strategy is proposing that it is treated to either destroy it or reduce its impact on the environment.

Q12. What do you know about the following treatment options?

(Please **X one** box on each row)

	A lot	A little	Not much	Nothing at all
Mechanical/biological/steam processing?	1.9%	18.3%	32.6%	47.3%
Anaerobic digestion?	2.7%	20.5%	28.4%	48.5%
Incineration and energy recovery?	8.2%	45.0%	27.4%	19.4%
Burying rubbish in the ground i.e. landfill?	23.8%	52.5%	18.0%	5.7%

Q13. Are you interested in knowing more about how your local councils intend to deal with your rubbish? (Please **X one** box only)

0.8% - I'm not interested in what the local councils do, or whether they do their job

7.3% - I'm not interested in what the local councils do as long as they do their job

57.1% - I like to know what the councils are doing, but I am happy to let them get on with their job

33.7% - Yes, I would like to have more of a say in what the local councils do with my rubbish

1.1% - Don't know

Q14. If you answered "Yes" to Q13, how would you like to get more involved or have access to further information? (Please **X all** that apply)

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|------------------------------------|---|
| 23.4% - Email | 21.9% - Attending a local focus group or workshop |
| 48.0% - Letter | 23.5% - Exhibitions |
| 22.4% - Local council's websites | 44.5% - Local media |
| 51.4% - Local council's newspapers | 1.9% - Other (Please X and specify below) |

A copy of the full Derbyshire's Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy will be available on your council's website later this year should you wish to read about these issues in more detail or make further comments.

For further information or if you have any comments please Email: waste_man@derbyshire.gov.uk

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL TRANSPORT PLANNING

The County Council is working to improve access to a range of essential services and facilities.

Q21. Out of the following essential services and facilities, which two of these do you feel are the most important for you? (Please **X two only)**

Getting to schools and colleges	16.2%
Giving people access to gain different skills to find work e.g. communication skills	12.3%
Getting to work	33.4%
Buying essential food shopping	47.1%
Getting to local health services e.g. doctors and hospital	56.7%
Getting to the local sports centre, swimming pool and sports facilities	6.4%
Accessing Derbyshire's countryside	22.6%

The County Council is also working to try and reduce the impact that transport has on the environment.

Q22. Which five of the following would you most strongly support? (Please **X five boxes only)**

Purchase/lease minimum or zero emission vehicles for use by the County Council or those vehicles on County Council public transport contracts	33.4%
Develop transport interchange facilities e.g. park and ride.	34.5%
Protect environmentally sensitive areas by traffic management	25.8%
Increase the use of road surfaces that reduce traffic noise	27.5%
Encourage use of local materials to reduce lorry mileage	45.1%
Encourage the use of green fuels	49.0%
Upgrade street lights to minimise the use of energy and reduce light pollution	37.2%
Increase use of recycled materials in road construction and road maintenance	40.2%
Change methods of verge maintenance to protect local wildlife	21.9%
Change methods and materials for snow/ice clearance (i.e. gritting) to protect local wildlife and reduce water pollution	16.6%
Protect the way towns and villages look by using local materials	23.5%
Reduce road signing clutter	24.4%
Congestion reducing measures, e.g. junction improvements to keep traffic moving	49.8%
Introduce measures to reduce the polluted water that runs off roads into the local environment	15.0%
Introduce demand management measures such as parking charges or restrictions, in towns and key recreation areas	6.2%
Support local planning policies that reduce the need for travel	30.2%

Q27. Have you seen or heard any national or local advertising and promotion about road safety issues within the last 12 months? (Please **X one** box only)

85.5% - Yes **If "Yes" then go to Q28**

5.4% - Don't know

9.2% - No **If "No" then go to Q32**

If "Don't know" then go to Q29

Q28. If "Yes", where did you see or hear it? (Please **X all** that apply)

Television	84.5%
Cinema	9.9%
Radio	33.4%
National newspapers or magazines	48.0%
Local newspapers or magazines	43.1%
Large roadside posters	65.9%
Advertised on the back of buses	50.9%
Through local schools	10.4%
Information leaflets at local libraries	6.0%
Information leaflets at local doctors' surgeries	8.0%
Derbyshire Road Safety Exhibition Vehicle	7.4%
County Council newspapers	22.2%
County Council website	1.2%
District Council noticeboard	1.6%
Parish Council noticeboard	4.0%
Other (Please X and specify below)	1.4%

Q29. Have you ever seen the bus-back advertising the County Council has carried out promoting its local road safety campaign? (Please **X one** box only)

40.7% - Yes

49.9% - No

9.4% - Don't know

Q30. Have you ever heard the road safety adverts on local radio? (Please **X one** box only)

29.0% - Yes

}

If "Yes" then go to Q31

63.8% - No

}

If "No" or "Don't know" then go to Q32

7.1% - Don't know

Q31. If "Yes" which local radio station were you listening to? (Please **X all** that apply)

12.1% - High Peak

22.0% - RAM FM

33.5% - Peak FM

36.7% - Other

9.5% - Don't know

Q32. To help us plan our future campaigns, what do you think are good ways to promote road safety messages locally? (Please X all that apply)

Local radio	63.6%
Local cinemas	30.4%
Local newspapers or magazines	76.8%
Large roadside posters (on routes or at locations of road accidents)	70.2%
Advertising on the back of buses	62.8%
Information leaflets through local schools	54.6%
Information leaflets at local libraries	30.5%
Information leaflets at local doctors' surgeries	40.3%
Derbyshire Road Safety Exhibition Vehicle	28.5%
County Council newspapers	39.1%
County Council website	16.7%
District Council noticeboard	14.6%
Parish Council noticeboard.	21.6%
Other (Please X and specify below)	5.9%

Road Safety Partnership Working

The County Council works closely with other local organisations such as Derbyshire Police, Derby City Council and the Highways Agency, to promote road safety with the shared aim of reducing the number of people killed or injured on our roads.

Q33. Are you aware of the Derbyshire Road Safety Partnership? (Please X one box only)

48.4% - Yes

46.9% - No

4.8% - Don't know

Q34. To help us plan for the future , what do you think are the most important road safety issues? (Please **X** all that apply)

Teaching children through pre-school, primary and secondary schools	92.1%
Cyclist training for children	82.4%
Motorcyclist training courses for riders who have just passed their test	68.7%
Car driver training	65.3%
Promotional campaigns, such as Don't Drink and Drive and Speed Kills	77.2%
New or improved pedestrian crossings	46.0%
Slowing down traffic with speed limits, better signs and clear lines	62.4%
Slowing down traffic by physical restrictions in the road such as build outs and chicanes	24.5%
More safety cameras - i.e. speed and red light cameras	28.7%
School Safety Zones - with warning lights and slower speed limits	66.3%
Well maintained footpaths	67.2%
Road surfaces that reduce skidding	63.9%
Street lights	64.2%

If you have any other issues you would like to raise OR comments on this questionnaire please ensure you fill in the following sheet.