

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Full Council 10/10/2024

Draft Waste Management Strategy Consultation

Agenda item 24/080 9. To review the information received regarding the Consultation and agree the process for responding.

BACKGROUND

The following email was received from West Berkshire Council:

Dear Town and Parish Councils,

We are emailing you to let you know that the public consultation on our draft Waste Management Strategy has now gone live. We would love to hear your views as a parish or town council and also encourage you to share details of the consultation across your parish or town. As such I attach a poster that can be printed and distributed if you so wish.

Our vision is for a greener future and here's what we are striving for in our draft Waste Management Strategy:

- *Increase recycling rates to 60% by 2030.*
- *Cut residual waste to 120kg per person per year by 2042.*
- *Help West Berkshire achieve Net Zero by 2030.*
- *Keep West Berkshire a great place to live and work.*
- *Lead the way and set an example for residents and businesses.*

The consultation will focus on key themes like:

- *Reducing waste and boosting recycling.*
- *Improving the appearance of our streets including town and village centres.*
- *Leading the way in sustainable waste practices.*

We're exploring several options to improve waste management, increase recycling rates, and reduce our carbon footprint, through the draft Waste Management Strategy, with some of the actions under review including:

- *Changing waste collection frequency (not including communal bins where you share bins with neighbours).*
- *Reviewing household waste containers.*
- *Expanding the range of items we recycle.*
- *Boosting education on waste management, especially in schools.*

- *Stepping up efforts to tackle littering and fly-tipping.*

To take part, please complete the online survey at www.westberks.gov.uk/draft-waste-management-strategy by midnight on 6 November 2024.

Paper copies of the survey are available on request please ring 0165 519 080 or email recycle@westberks.gov.uk to request a copy. Copies will also be available at the Council Office, Market Street Newbury, RG14 5LD from 1 October during our opening times Monday – Thursday 8:30-5pm and Friday 8:30-4:30pm.

In addition, we will have drop-in sessions at local libraries where a member of the team will be available to take questions and feedback on the draft strategy at the below times:

<i>Thatcham Library</i>	<i>Monday 30 September</i>	<i>9:30am - 12:00pm</i>
<i>Newbury Library</i>	<i>Wednesday 2 October</i>	<i>9:00am - 12:00pm</i>
<i>Hungerford Library</i>	<i>Wednesday 9 October</i>	<i>9:30am - 12:00pm</i>
<i>Burghfield Library</i>	<i>Monday 14 October</i>	<i>2:00pm - 5:00pm</i>
<i>Theale Library</i>	<i>Friday 18 October</i>	<i>2:00pm - 5:00pm</i>
<i>Lambourn Library</i>	<i>Friday 25 October</i>	<i>10:00am - 11:30am</i>
<i>Mortimer Library</i>	<i>Monday 28 October</i>	<i>2:00pm - 5:00pm</i>
<i>Pangbourne Library</i>	<i>Thursday 31 October</i>	<i>9:30am - 12:00pm</i>

Join us in helping shape our vision for a sustainable future by sharing your experiences and suggestions!

If you have any questions please let us know.

Clerk 03/10/2024