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What's happening in the UK



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English Waste Strategy

- Very important document for those campaigning in England – sets framework for all planning documents that follow
- Out in May 2007 after elections
- Budget 2007 increase in landfill escalator from £3 to £8 taking landfill tax to £48 by 2010.



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The Good

- Zero Waste in the vision ✓
- Residual waste target ✓
- Target of 60% recycling by 2020 ✓
- Separate food waste collections ✓
- Support for Anaerobic Digestion ✓
- Consultation on variable charging ✓
- Consultation on landfill bans ✓



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The Bad

- Incineration is carbon neutral so no problem if local authorities want to build incinerators
- Encouragement for merchant incinerators
- No incineration tax in Budget
- No new legislation on business



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Wales

- Consultation on Welsh Waste Strategy in the Autumn. Friends of the Earth Cymru and CYLCH (Wales Community Recycling Network) will both be involved in lobbying for zero waste solutions.



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Planning White Paper

- Due out in May
- Big worry for waste campaigners will be Major Infrastructure Projects.
- These will probably include incinerators that produce over 50MW of electricity – such as Belverdere and Ince Marsh.
- Reduction in your right to participate in the decision and be heard at public inquiries.



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Campaign for Real Recycling

- FOE part of a coalition with community recycling sector and recyclates re-processors to encourage source-separated kerbside collections of recyclates.
- Environmentally there is a case that non-mingled collections better than co-mingled.



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Advantages of non-mingled

- Higher quality materials
- Reduced carbon footprint – vehicles tend to have lower fuel use and materials are less likely to be down-cycled
- Lower capital costs and more local jobs
- More flexibility to add more materials
- Immediate feedback to householders
- Greater public confidence



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- Website address:

<http://www.realrecycling.org.uk/>



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- Also new WRATE model – replacing old and discredited WISARD. Friends of the Earth will produce a briefing for local campaigners on this.
- New briefing on how Local Authorities can meet LATS without burning for local campaigners.



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Recent Planning Applications

- Belvedere – go ahead
- Newhaven – go ahead
- Hull – go ahead
- Peterborough –
Public Inquiry
- Ince Marsh –
Public Inquiry
- Dagenham – gasifier





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Local Authorities planning incinerators

Leeds	West of England Partnership
York or North Yorkshire	Newcastle
Bradford	East Kent
Cheshire – 2 sites	Surrey – 2 sites
Derbyshire	Cornwall
Lincs – 2 sites	Suffolk
Telford	Tyneside
Shropshire	Sunderland
Rainworth, Notts	Cumbria – Barrow
Bristol	Darlington
Devon – 2/3 sites	East London