

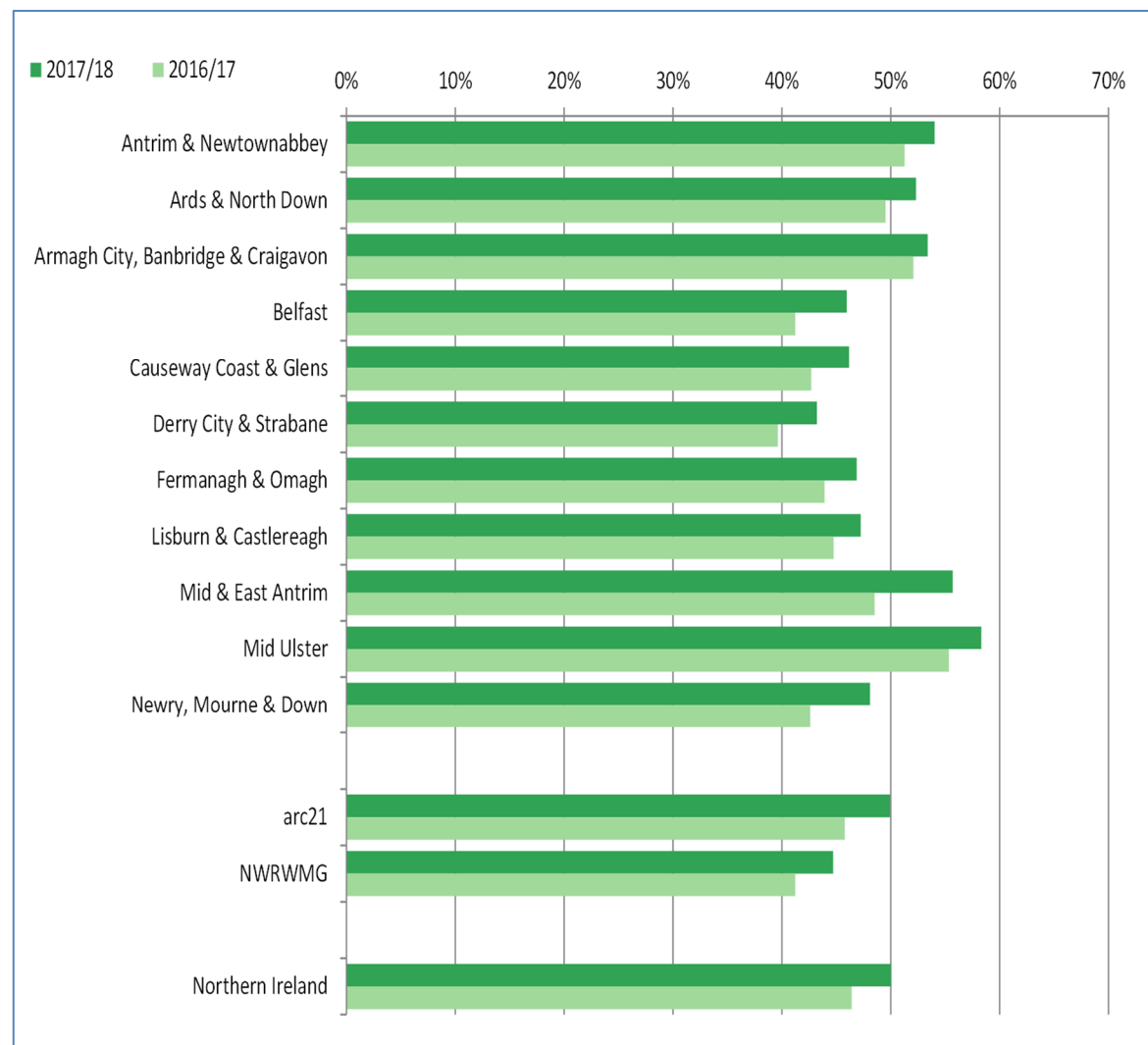
Report on	Northern Ireland Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste Management (LACMW) Report for April to June 2017
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To update members on the Councils performance in relation to recycling and landfill diversion targets as outlined in the NIEA Northern Ireland Local Authority Waste Management Statistics Report for the (quarter one) period of April to June 2017.
2.0	Background
2.1	<p>The above (provisional) report was published on 26th October 2017 by the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA). The data in the report is based on quarterly returns made to Wastedataflow, a web based system, used by all local authorities throughout the UK to report on local authority collected municipal waste (LACMW). A full copy of the report (including appendices) can be accessed via below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/northern-ireland-local-authority-collected-municipal-waste-management-statistics-april-june-2017
3.0	Main Report
3.1	Northern Ireland's Councils collected 263,167 tonnes of Local Authority Collected Municipal Waste (LACMW) between April to June 2017. This was a similar amount to the 262,883 tonnes collected during the same three months of 2016.
3.2	The household waste preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting rate was 50% between April to June 2017, an increase on the 46.4% recorded during the same three months of 2016.
3.3	<u>It is pleasing to report that, once again and for the ninth consecutive quarter, the highest household waste recycling rate of 58.3% was recorded in Mid Ulster District.</u> This is an improvement of 3 percentage points on the figure recorded in the same quarter last year (as illustrated in Fig. 1 below):

Fig. 1. Household waste preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting rate by council and waste management group

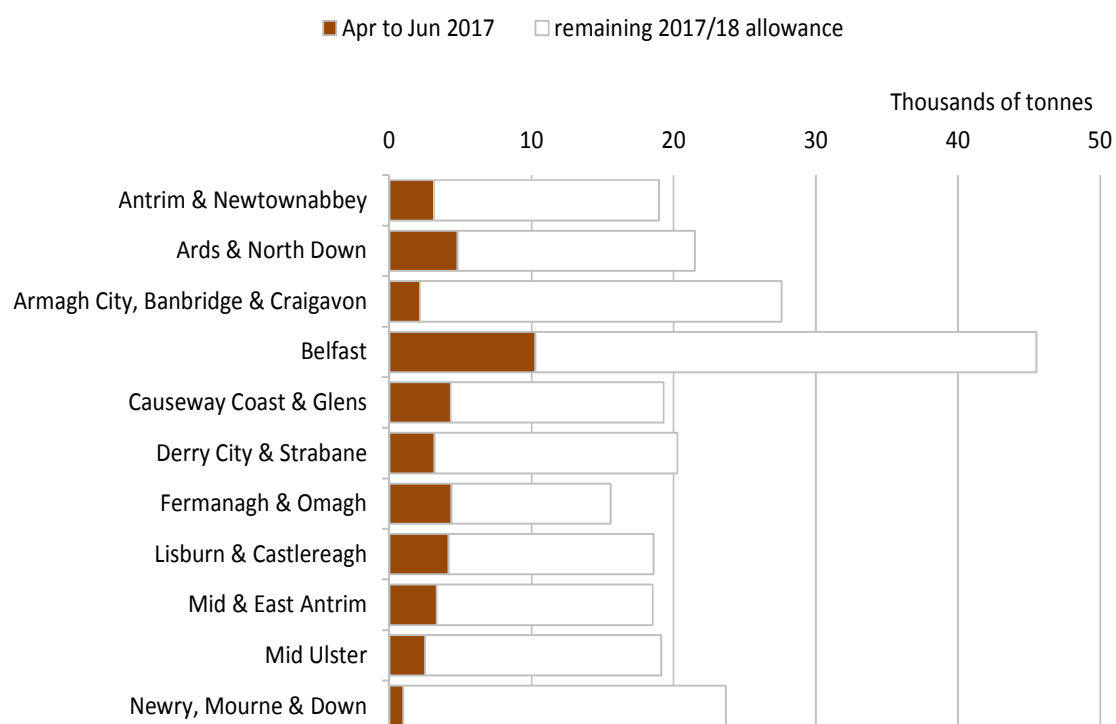
Northern Ireland, April to June 2016 and April to June 2017



3.4

With regard to the Northern Ireland Landfill Allowance Scheme (NILAS) allocation Mid Ulster District Council utilised only 13.1% of the available annual allowance (19,131 tonnes) during the first quarter i.e. landfilled only 2,501 tonnes of Biodegradable Local Authority Collected Biodegradable Municipal Waste (BLACMW). This was the third lowest utilisation of all eleven Councils (as illustrated in Fig. 2 below)

Fig. 2. Biodegradable LAC municipal waste allowance sent to landfill by council, Northern Ireland, April to June 2017



4.0 Other Considerations

4.1 Financial & Human Resources Implications

Financial: None

Human: A significant amount of time is spent by the Recycling Officers in gathering, collating and submitting the necessary data for quarterly WDF and NILAS returns

4.2 Equality and Good Relations Implications: None

4.3 Risk Management Implications

Failure to meet NILAS targets could result in NIEA fines and EU infraction proceedings.

5.0 Recommendation(s)

5.1 Members are asked to note and invited to comment on the content of this report.

6.0 Documents Attached & References: None