

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

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Northumberland County Council Waste Private Finance Initiative (PFI) Project

Background Project Information	
PFI credits allocated	£40.8 million
What are the relevant authorities' targets: Minimum levels of recycling/composting that are expected to be achieved as part of the PFI project?	<p>Minimum Recycling and Composting targets:</p> <p>2007/08: 19%* 2010/11: 28%* 2030/31: 45%**</p> <p>*These are the contractual targets and are low in 2007/08 and 2010/11 as at this time some waste is still being processed at Material Recycling Facilities via existing District Council contractual arrangements outside of the PFI contract. **The target in 2030/31 is the contractual minimum below which financial deductions would apply, the contractor is also financially incentivised through the payment mechanism to exceed recycling targets.</p>
Project Milestones	<p>Project Review Group Approval: March 2004</p> <p>Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) Publication: May 2004</p> <p>Preferred Bidder Selected: August 2006</p> <p>Contract Awarded: December 2006</p>
Contract Awarded to	SITA UK Ltd
Contract length	28 years with an option to extend for up to a further 5 years
Municipal Waste Arisings (tonnes per annum)	<p>2001/02: 187,942 2002/03: 199,170 2003/04: 197,899 2004/05: N/A* 2005/06: 183,131 2006/07: 184,235**</p> <p>*Figure not available due to a change in the method of data collection ** Un-audited figures subject to possible amendment</p>
Annual Waste Indicators [2006/07]	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household waste not reused, recycled or composted (kg per 	355Kg per head - Household waste not reused, recycled or composted

<p>head residual waste)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household waste recycled and composted (%) Municipal waste landfilled (%) 	<p>33.6% - Household waste reused, recycled or composted</p> <p>65.4% - Municipal waste landfilled</p>
Population (ONS 2006 mid-year estimate)	311,300
Details of residual waste management facilities to be delivered by the project	<p>1 Energy from Waste plant: (extension of an existing facility) 136,000 tonnes per annum (scheduled to become operation in 2009)</p> <p>1 Integrated Waste Transfer Station and Material Recycling Facility: 70,000 & 50,000 tonnes per annum respectively (scheduled to become operational in 2009)</p> <p>2 new Household Waste Recovery Centres (HWRCs) each of 10,000 tonnes per annum capacity (scheduled to become operational in 2008 & 2009 respectively)</p> <p>11 expansions & upgrades to existing HWRCs total capacity 54,000 tonnes per annum (scheduled to be fully completed by 2009)</p> <p>2 expansions to existing waste transfer stations of 25,000 tonnes per annum and 50,000 tonnes per annum (scheduled to be fully completed by 2008)</p>
Does contract include collection?	No
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Details of local councils involved in Partnership	<p>Alnwick District Council Berwick-upon-Tweed Borough Council Blyth Valley Borough Council Castle Morpeth Borough Council Tynedale District Council Wansbeck District Council</p>

