

Your waste. Your future. **Your views.**



We asked you what you thought about our plans for dealing with the county's waste.

Results for East Herts.



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Hertfordshire Partnership

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01 It is important that we all reduce the amount of waste we produce

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	1,370	83.64%		
Agree	247	15.08%		
Disagree	5	0.31%	Strongly Agree + Agree	98.72%
Strongly Disagree	2	0.12%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	0.43%
No Opinion	6	0.37%	Positive/Negative Balance	98.29%
Not Answered	8	0.49%		
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%		

02 Smaller bins or less frequent rubbish collections help reduce waste and encourage recycling

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	177	10.81%		
Agree	293	17.89%	Strongly Agree + Agree	28.69%
Disagree	663	40.48%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	65.02%
Strongly Disagree	402	24.54%	Positive/Negative Balance	-36.32%
No Opinion	79	4.82%		
Not Answered	24	1.47%		
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%		

03 Households should pay according to how much rubbish they produce

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	236	14.41%		
Agree	351	21.43%	Strongly Agree + Agree	35.84%
Disagree	512	31.26%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	58.18%
Strongly Disagree	441	26.92%	Positive/Negative Balance	-22.34%
No Opinion	72	4.40%		
Not Answered	26	1.59%		
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04 Manufacturers and retailers should reduce the amount of non-recyclable packaging with their products

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	1,451	88.58%		
Agree	167	10.20%		
Disagree	3	0.18%	Strongly Agree + Agree	98.78%
Strongly Disagree	5	0.31%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	0.49%
No Opinion	3	0.18%	Positive/Negative Balance	98.29%
Not Answered	9	0.55%		
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%		

05 More publicity is needed to help residents reduce waste

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	628	38.34%		
Agree	765	46.70%	Strongly Agree + Agree	85.04%
Disagree	144	8.79%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	10.20%
Strongly Disagree	23	1.40%	Positive/Negative Balance	74.85%
No Opinion	63	3.85%		
Not Answered	15	0.92%		
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%		

06 The promoting of the following activities will help reduce waste

06a Home composting

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	764	46.64%		
Agree	676	41.27%	Strongly Agree + Agree	87.91%
Disagree	106	6.47%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	7.45%
Strongly Disagree	16	0.98%	Positive/Negative Balance	80.46%
No Opinion	62	3.79%		
Not Answered	14	0.85%		
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06b Real nappy use

	Number	Per Cent
Strongly Agree	700	42.74%
Agree	638	38.95%
Disagree	112	6.84%
Strongly Disagree	25	1.53%
No Opinion	144	8.79%
Not Answered	19	1.16%
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%

Strongly Agree + Agree	81.68%
Strongly Disagree + Disagree	8.36%
Positive/Negative Balance	73.32%

06c The promotion of re-use charities and businesses

	Number	Per Cent
Strongly Agree	753	45.97%
Agree	716	43.71%
Disagree	45	2.75%
Strongly Disagree	8	0.49%
No Opinion	99	6.04%
Not Answered	17	1.04%
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%

Strongly Agree + Agree	89.68%
Strongly Disagree + Disagree	3.24%
Positive/Negative Balance	86.45%

06d More campaigning and education

	Number	Per Cent
Strongly Agree	714	43.59%
Agree	770	47.01%
Disagree	72	4.40%
Strongly Disagree	8	0.49%
No Opinion	57	3.48%
Not Answered	17	1.04%
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Strongly Agree + Agree	90.60%
Strongly Disagree + Disagree	4.88%
Positive/Negative Balance	85.71%

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07 I would re-cycle more if I could put all my recyclables into one container

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	542	33.09%		
Agree	474	28.94%		
Disagree	423	25.82%	Strongly Agree + Agree	62.03%
Strongly Disagree	55	3.36%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	29.18%
No Opinion	102	6.23%	Positive/Negative Balance	32.84%
Not Answered	42	2.56%		
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%		

08 Recycling should be compulsory because it reduces landfill and saves council tax payers' money

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	788	48.11%		
Agree	576	35.16%	Strongly Agree + Agree	83.27%
Disagree	161	9.83%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	12.52%
Strongly Disagree	44	2.69%	Positive/Negative Balance	70.76%
No Opinion	44	2.69%		
Not Answered	25	1.53%		
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%		

09 We should aim for a recycling target of 50% by 2012

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	666	40.66%		
Agree	532	32.48%	Strongly Agree + Agree	73.14%
Disagree	262	16.00%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	21.12%
Strongly Disagree	84	5.13%	Positive/Negative Balance	52.01%
No Opinion	77	4.70%		
Not Answered	17	1.04%		
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10 What should the target be? (Only answered by those disagreeing or strongly disagreeing to Q 09)

	Number	Per Cent
Higher than 50%	303	87.57%
Lower than 50%	28	8.09%
Not Answered	15	4.34%
TOTAL	346	21.12%

11 Collection arrangements

	Currently Collected		If collected, Regularly Use		No collection but would use if collected		No collection and would not use if there was		No response at all	
	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent
Paper	1,602	97.80%	1,263	78.84%	28	77.78%	1	2.78%	7	0.43%
Food and drink cans	1,340	81.81%	1,041	77.69%	243	81.54%	48	16.11%	7	0.43%
Plastic bottles	188	11.48%	161	85.64%	1,329	91.66%	114	7.86%	7	0.43%
Glass bottles/jars	1,465	89.44%	1,158	79.04%	138	79.77%	28	16.18%	7	0.43%
Garden waste	1,071	65.38%	807	75.35%	352	62.08%	197	34.74%	18	1.10%
Kitchen food waste	209	12.76%	145	69.38%	855	59.83%	556	38.91%	18	1.10%
Cardboard	155	9.46%	138	89.03%	1,348	90.90%	117	7.89%	18	1.10%
Other plastic products					1,359	82.97%	104	6.35%	175	10.68%
Tetrapak cartons					1,228	74.97%	235	14.35%	175	10.68%
Household batteries					1,314	80.22%	149	9.10%	175	10.68%
Small electrical items					1,299	79.30%	164	10.01%	175	10.68%

12 Disposal of waste which cannot be recycled - Important issues to be considered

12a Minimising transportation to the facility

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	465	28.39%
Important	973	59.40%
Not Very Important	146	8.91%
Not at all Important	21	1.28%
Not Answered	33	2.01%
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12b Cost effectiveness and affordability

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	550	33.58%
Important	921	56.23%
Not Very Important	112	6.84%
Not at all Important	15	0.92%
Not Answered	40	2.44%
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%

12c Environmental impact (e.g., noise and emissions)

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	918	56.04%
Important	649	39.62%
Not Very Important	37	2.26%
Not at all Important	2	0.12%
Not Answered	32	1.95%
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12d Turning waste into energy (e.g., local heating or electricity)

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	883	53.91%
Important	669	40.84%
Not Very Important	52	3.17%
Not at all Important	3	0.18%
Not Answered	31	1.89%
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About you

Are you male or female?

	Number	Per Cent
Male	605	36.94%
Female	963	58.79%
Not Answered	70	4.27%
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%

What age range do you fall into?

	Number	Per Cent
18-24	23	1.40%
25-34	155	9.46%
35-44	298	18.19%
45-54	338	20.63%
55-59	174	10.62%
60-64	195	11.90%
65-74	277	16.91%
75+	160	9.77%
Not Answered	18	1.10%
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%

Which category best describes your ethnic background?

	Number	Per Cent
White	1,558	95.12%
Mixed Heritage	9	0.55%
Asian or Asian British	0	0.00%
Black or Black British	1	0.06%
Chinese	1	0.06%
English	3	0.18%
Irish	0	0.00%
Welsh	0	0.00%
White European	0	0.00%
Other not stated	3	0.18%
Not Answered	63	3.85%
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District of residence (derived from home postcode)

	Number	Per Cent
No answer	0	0.00%
Broxbourne	0	0.00%
Dacorum	0	0.00%
East Hertfordshire	1,638	100.00%
Hertsmere	0	0.00%
North Hertfordshire	0	0.00%
St Albans	0	0.00%
Stevenage	0	0.00%
Three Rivers	0	0.00%
Watford	0	0.00%
Welwyn Hatfield	0	0.00%
Out of County (Aylesbury Vale)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Barnet)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Chiltern)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Enfield)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Epping Forest)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Harborough)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Harrow)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Hillingdon)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Luton)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Mid Bedfordshire)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Milton Keynes)	0	0.00%
Out of County (South Bedfordshire)	0	0.00%
Out of County (South Cambridgeshire)	0	0.00%
Out of County (South Oxfordshire)	0	0.00%
Out of County (Uttlesford)	0	0.00%
Unsure	0	0.00%
TOTAL	1,638	100.00%

Are you representing an organisation?

	Number	Per Cent
Yes	10	0.61%