



HERTFORDSHIRE WASTE PARTNERSHIP

MEMBERS' GROUP

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Item 9: Waste Infrastructure Capital Grant Programme – Summary Report

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1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. To present a summary of the Waste Infrastructure Capital Grant (WICG) Programme.

2. Background

- 2.1. Previously the HWP agreed to allocate just over £2 million of capital funding to support the development of collection infrastructure by partner authorities from April 2008 to March 2011.
- 2.2. To give the bidding and allocations process a framework in which to operate in May 2008 the Member Sub Group, (MSG) agreed a selection criteria. The criteria specified the types of project that were considered to be a priority and what percentage capital funding would be granted ranging from 50% for vehicles through to 100% for 'On Street' recycling facilities.
- 2.3. In January 2009 the selection criteria was amended to provide a greater degree of flexibility with respect to bids which, although not falling into one of the pre-defined categories, nonetheless were in pursuit of the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy.
- 2.4. Following a report to the MSG meeting on the 26th August 2009 the selection criteria was further amended to allow the funding of residual waste bins as part of wider moves towards the implementation of restricted residual waste collection models.

3. Summary

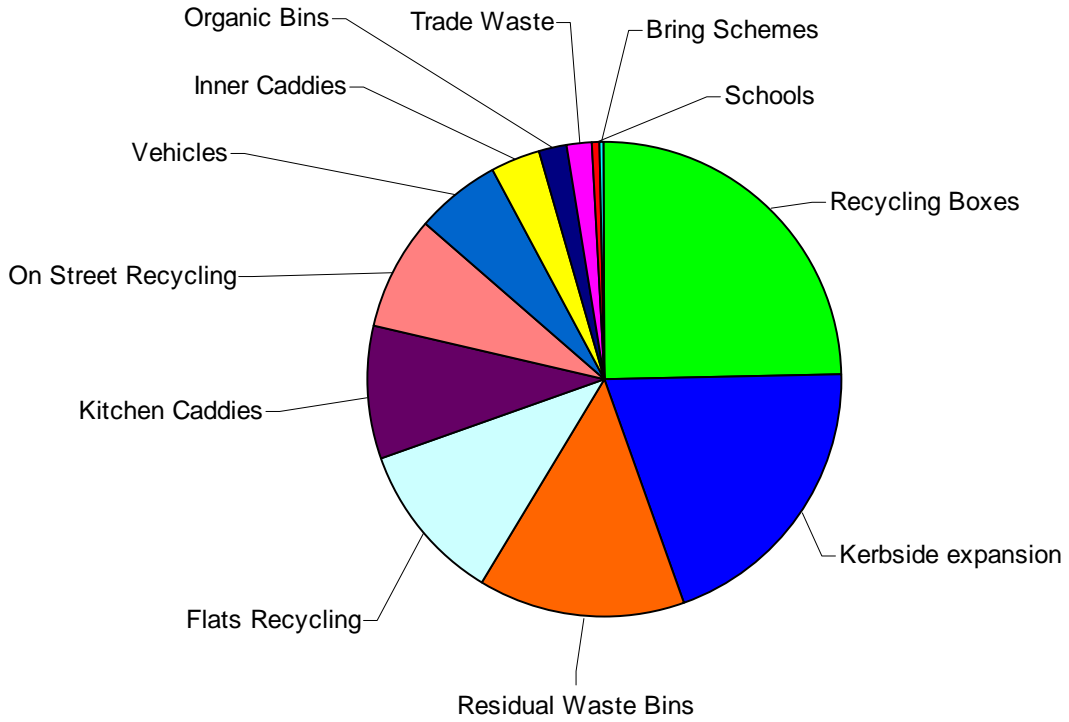
- 3.1. By the end of the WICG programme a total of 55 projects had been supported ranging from the roll out of on street recycling facilities to the implementation of new borough wide collection models in a number of authorities.
- 3.2. Grants from the programme ranged in size from £953 to fund recycling points at train stations to £400,313 to support the expansion of kerbside recycling.
- 3.3. Based on feedback from the partner authorities together these initiatives have increased overall recycling levels by approximately 20,870 tonnes per annum. Based on the tonnages detailed in the latest HWP PI update this is equivalent to 4.2% on the HWP's current recycling rate (overall tonnages remaining equal).
- 3.4. Therefore from one perspective the WICG programme can be viewed as being key to achievement of the 50% recycling target agreed as part of Hertfordshire's Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy.
- 3.5. Further analysis provides the following breakdowns :-

Project Type	Allocation
Recycling Boxes	£499,912
Kerbside expansion	£400,313
Residual Waste Bins	£286,643
Flats Recycling	£215,157
Kitchen Caddies	£189,212
On Street Recycling	£152,751
Vehicles	£121,004
Inner Caddies	£68,618
Organic Bins	£36,145
Trade Waste	£35,943
Schools	£12,480
Bring Schemes	£3,644
Sub Total...	£2,021,821

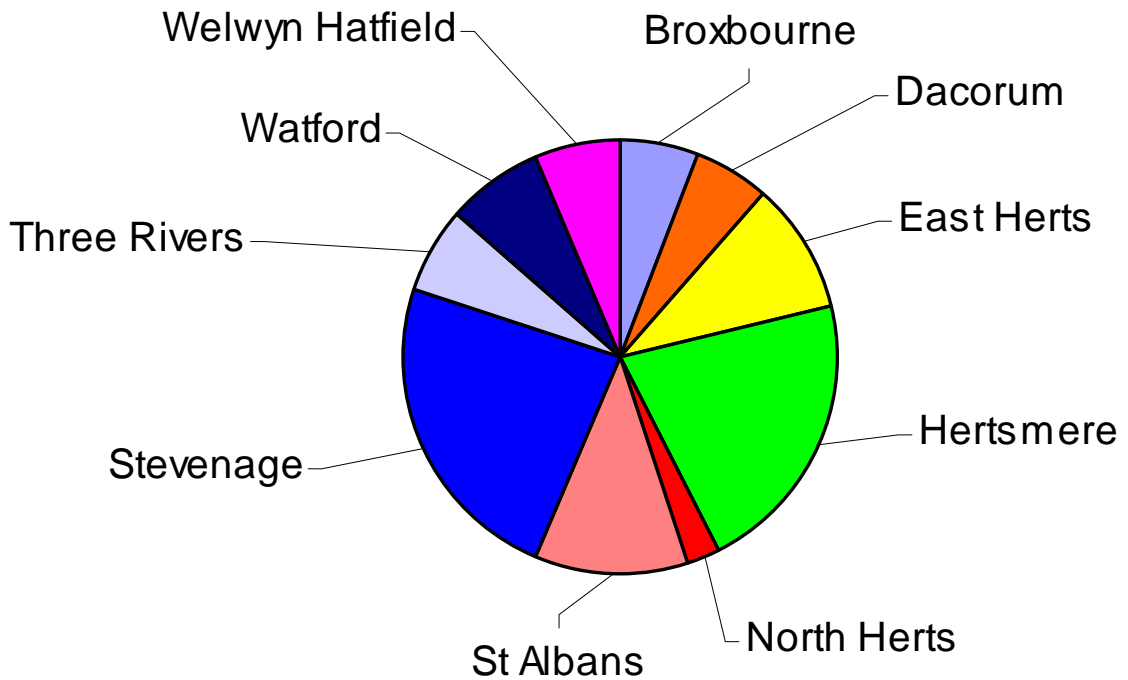
Partner Authority	Allocation
Stevenage	£475,976
Hertsmere	£431,313
St Albans	£230,420
East Herts	£195,375
Watford	£147,627
Three Rivers	£128,882
Welwyn Hatfield	£126,693
Broxbourne	£119,344
Dacorum	£113,416
North Herts	£52,775
Sub Total...	£2,021,821

- 3.1. At 2011/12 prices 20,870 tonnes of additional recycling diverted from landfill is equivalent to £1.46 million in avoided landfill costs. The vast majority of these savings are passed on in the form of composting gate fees, recycling credits and rewards from the Alternative Financial Model.

Project Types



Partner Authority - Final Allocations



4. Recommendations

- 4.1. That the Members' group note the report.