

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



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

Results for Stevenage.



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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	557	82.89%		
Agree	105	15.63%	Strongly Agree + Agree	98.51%
Disagree	5	0.74%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	1.19%
Strongly Disagree	3	0.45%	Positive/Negative Balance	97.32%
No Opinion	0	0.00%		
Not Answered	2	0.30%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	23	3.42%		
Agree	71	10.57%	Strongly Agree + Agree	13.99%
Disagree	321	47.77%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	82.14%
Strongly Disagree	231	34.38%	Positive/Negative Balance	-68.15%
No Opinion	20	2.98%		
Not Answered	6	0.89%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

03 Households should pay according to how much rubbish they produce

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	68	10.12%		
Agree	137	20.39%	Strongly Agree + Agree	30.51%
Disagree	208	30.95%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	65.18%
Strongly Disagree	230	34.23%	Positive/Negative Balance	-34.67%
No Opinion	22	3.27%		
Not Answered	7	1.04%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

04 Manufacturers and retailers should reduce the amount of non-recyclable packaging with their products

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	579	86.16%		
Agree	85	12.65%	Strongly Agree + Agree	98.81%
Disagree	0	0.00%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	0.45%
Strongly Disagree	3	0.45%	Positive/Negative Balance	98.36%
No Opinion	3	0.45%		
Not Answered	2	0.30%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

05 More publicity is needed to help residents reduce waste

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	258	38.39%		
Agree	304	45.24%	Strongly Agree + Agree	83.63%
Disagree	57	8.48%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	9.67%
Strongly Disagree	8	1.19%	Positive/Negative Balance	73.96%
No Opinion	35	5.21%		
Not Answered	10	1.49%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

06 The promoting of the following activities will help reduce waste

06a Home composting

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	289	43.01%		
Agree	275	40.92%	Strongly Agree + Agree	83.93%
Disagree	64	9.52%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	11.76%
Strongly Disagree	15	2.23%	Positive/Negative Balance	72.17%
No Opinion	24	3.57%		
Not Answered	5	0.74%		
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06b Real nappy use

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	321	47.77%		
Agree	225	33.48%	Strongly Agree + Agree	81.25%
Disagree	46	6.85%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	7.44%
Strongly Disagree	4	0.60%	Positive/Negative Balance	73.81%
No Opinion	65	9.67%		
Not Answered	11	1.64%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

06c The promotion of re-use charities and businesses

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	284	42.26%		
Agree	308	45.83%	Strongly Agree + Agree	88.10%
Disagree	27	4.02%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	4.46%
Strongly Disagree	3	0.45%	Positive/Negative Balance	83.63%
No Opinion	43	6.40%		
Not Answered	7	1.04%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

06d More campaigning and education

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	269	40.03%		
Agree	323	48.07%	Strongly Agree + Agree	88.10%
Disagree	39	5.80%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	6.70%
Strongly Disagree	6	0.89%	Positive/Negative Balance	81.40%
No Opinion	26	3.87%		
Not Answered	9	1.34%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	161	23.96%		
Agree	154	22.92%	Strongly Agree + Agree	46.88%
Disagree	260	38.69%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	44.49%
Strongly Disagree	39	5.80%	Positive/Negative Balance	2.38%
No Opinion	36	5.36%		
Not Answered	22	3.27%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	318	47.32%		
Agree	232	34.52%	Strongly Agree + Agree	81.85%
Disagree	76	11.31%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	14.14%
Strongly Disagree	19	2.83%	Positive/Negative Balance	67.71%
No Opinion	17	2.53%		
Not Answered	10	1.49%		
TOTAL	672	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	290	43.15%		
Agree	203	30.21%	Strongly Agree + Agree	73.36%
Disagree	115	17.11%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	22.77%
Strongly Disagree	38	5.65%	Positive/Negative Balance	50.60%
No Opinion	15	2.23%		
Not Answered	11	1.64%		
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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%	131	85.62%
Lower than 50%	16	10.46%
Not Answered	6	3.92%
TOTAL	153	22.77%

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	659	98.07%	512	77.69%	4	30.77%	4	30.77%	5	0.74%
Food and drink cans	628	93.45%	477	75.96%	27	61.36%	12	27.27%	5	0.74%
Plastic bottles	62	9.23%	56	90.32%	555	90.98%	50	8.20%	5	0.74%
Glass bottles/jars	648	96.43%	500	77.16%	11	45.83%	8	33.33%	5	0.74%
Garden waste	627	93.30%	465	74.16%	12	26.67%	25	55.56%	8	1.19%
Kitchen food waste	84	12.50%	59	70.24%	397	67.52%	183	31.12%	8	1.19%
Cardboard	68	10.12%	53	77.94%	564	93.38%	32	5.30%	8	1.19%
Other plastic products					563	83.78%	43	6.40%	66	9.82%
Tetrapak cartons					511	76.04%	95	14.14%	66	9.82%
Household batteries					543	80.80%	63	9.38%	66	9.82%
Small electrical items					551	81.99%	55	8.18%	66	9.82%

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

12a Minimising transportation to the facility

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	174	25.89%
Important	390	58.04%
Not Very Important	83	12.35%
Not at all Important	10	1.49%
Not Answered	15	2.23%
TOTAL	672	100.00%

12b Cost effectiveness and affordability

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	227	33.78%
Important	389	57.89%
Not Very Important	38	5.65%
Not at all Important	4	0.60%
Not Answered	14	2.08%
TOTAL	672	100.00%

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

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	359	53.42%
Important	282	41.96%
Not Very Important	17	2.53%
Not at all Important	2	0.30%
Not Answered	12	1.79%
TOTAL	672	100.00%

12d Turning waste into energy (e.g., local heating or electricity)

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	393	58.48%
Important	249	37.05%
Not Very Important	20	2.98%
Not at all Important	3	0.45%
Not Answered	7	1.04%
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About you

Are you male or female?

	Number	Per Cent
Male	258	38.39%
Female	381	56.70%
Not Answered	33	4.91%
TOTAL	672	100.00%

What age range do you fall into?

	Number	Per Cent
18-24	7	1.04%
25-34	71	10.57%
35-44	104	15.48%
45-54	128	19.05%
55-59	77	11.46%
60-64	83	12.35%
65-74	116	17.26%
75+	82	12.20%
Not Answered	4	0.60%
TOTAL	672	100.00%

Which category best describes your ethnic background?

	Number	Per Cent
White	634	94.35%
Mixed Heritage	5	0.74%
Asian or Asian British	5	0.74%
Black or Black British	5	0.74%
Chinese	0	0.00%
English	2	0.30%
Irish	0	0.00%
Welsh	0	0.00%
White European	0	0.00%
Other not stated	4	0.60%
Not Answered	17	2.53%
TOTAL	672	100.00%

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	0	0.00%
Hertsmere	0	0.00%
North Hertfordshire	0	0.00%
St Albans	0	0.00%
Stevenage	672	100.00%
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	672	100.00%

Are you representing an organisation?

	Number	Per Cent
Yes	2	0.30%