

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



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

Results for Watford.



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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	361	82.05%		
Agree	69	15.68%	Strongly Agree + Agree	97.73%
Disagree	4	0.91%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	0.91%
Strongly Disagree	0	0.00%	Positive/Negative Balance	96.82%
No Opinion	2	0.45%		
Not Answered	4	0.91%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	34	7.73%		
Agree	67	15.23%	Strongly Agree + Agree	22.95%
Disagree	185	42.05%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	71.36%
Strongly Disagree	129	29.32%	Positive/Negative Balance	-48.41%
No Opinion	21	4.77%		
Not Answered	4	0.91%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

03 Households should pay according to how much rubbish they produce

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	48	10.91%		
Agree	92	20.91%	Strongly Agree + Agree	31.82%
Disagree	139	31.59%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	64.09%
Strongly Disagree	143	32.50%	Positive/Negative Balance	-32.27%
No Opinion	13	2.95%		
Not Answered	5	1.14%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	376	85.45%		
Agree	51	11.59%	Strongly Agree + Agree	97.05%
Disagree	5	1.14%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	2.05%
Strongly Disagree	4	0.91%	Positive/Negative Balance	95.00%
No Opinion	2	0.45%		
Not Answered	2	0.45%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

05 More publicity is needed to help residents reduce waste

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	159	36.14%		
Agree	218	49.55%	Strongly Agree + Agree	85.68%
Disagree	41	9.32%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	10.23%
Strongly Disagree	4	0.91%	Positive/Negative Balance	75.45%
No Opinion	16	3.64%		
Not Answered	2	0.45%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

06 The promoting of the following activities will help reduce waste

06a Home composting

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	175	39.77%		
Agree	198	45.00%	Strongly Agree + Agree	84.77%
Disagree	36	8.18%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	9.77%
Strongly Disagree	7	1.59%	Positive/Negative Balance	75.00%
No Opinion	21	4.77%		
Not Answered	3	0.68%		
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06b Real nappy use

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	184	41.82%		
Agree	170	38.64%		
Disagree	22	5.00%	Strongly Agree + Agree	80.45%
Strongly Disagree	8	1.82%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	6.82%
No Opinion	54	12.27%	Positive/Negative Balance	73.64%
Not Answered	2	0.45%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

06c The promotion of re-use charities and businesses

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	194	44.09%		
Agree	195	44.32%	Strongly Agree + Agree	88.41%
Disagree	8	1.82%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	2.73%
Strongly Disagree	4	0.91%	Positive/Negative Balance	85.68%
No Opinion	33	7.50%		
Not Answered	6	1.36%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

06d More campaigning and education

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	178	40.45%		
Agree	228	51.82%	Strongly Agree + Agree	92.27%
Disagree	10	2.27%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	2.95%
Strongly Disagree	3	0.68%	Positive/Negative Balance	89.32%
No Opinion	18	4.09%		
Not Answered	3	0.68%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	67	15.23%		
Agree	78	17.73%	Strongly Agree + Agree	32.95%
Disagree	195	44.32%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	55.23%
Strongly Disagree	48	10.91%	Positive/Negative Balance	-22.27%
No Opinion	37	8.41%		
Not Answered	15	3.41%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	190	43.18%		
Agree	172	39.09%	Strongly Agree + Agree	82.27%
Disagree	40	9.09%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	13.64%
Strongly Disagree	20	4.55%	Positive/Negative Balance	68.64%
No Opinion	7	1.59%		
Not Answered	11	2.50%		
TOTAL	440	100.00%		

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

	Number	Per Cent		
Strongly Agree	170	38.64%		
Agree	138	31.36%	Strongly Agree + Agree	70.00%
Disagree	77	17.50%	Strongly Disagree + Disagree	23.41%
Strongly Disagree	26	5.91%	Positive/Negative Balance	46.59%
No Opinion	23	5.23%		
Not Answered	6	1.36%		
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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%	85	82.52%
Lower than 50%	13	12.62%
Not Answered	5	4.85%
TOTAL	103	23.41%

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	434	98.64%	314	72.35%	5	83.33%	0	0.00%	1	0.23%
Food and drink cans	423	96.14%	304	71.87%	9	52.94%	7	41.18%	1	0.23%
Plastic bottles	428	97.27%	309	72.20%	7	58.33%	4	33.33%	1	0.23%
Glass bottles/jars	429	97.50%	313	72.96%	6	54.55%	4	36.36%	1	0.23%
Garden waste	414	94.09%	288	69.57%	8	30.77%	15	57.69%	3	0.68%
Kitchen food waste	382	86.82%	229	59.95%	28	48.28%	27	46.55%	3	0.68%
Cardboard	405	92.05%	289	71.36%	26	74.29%	6	17.14%	3	0.68%
Other plastic products					356	80.91%	26	5.91%	58	13.18%
Tetrapak cartons					340	77.27%	42	9.55%	58	13.18%
Household batteries					345	78.41%	37	8.41%	58	13.18%
Small electrical items					344	78.18%	38	8.64%	58	13.18%

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

12a Minimising transportation to the facility

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	126	28.64%
Important	258	58.64%
Not Very Important	42	9.55%
Not at all Important	4	0.91%
Not Answered	10	2.27%
TOTAL	440	100.00%

12b Cost effectiveness and affordability

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	164	37.27%
Important	236	53.64%
Not Very Important	27	6.14%
Not at all Important	5	1.14%
Not Answered	8	1.82%
TOTAL	440	100.00%

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

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	229	52.05%
Important	183	41.59%
Not Very Important	13	2.95%
Not at all Important	2	0.45%
Not Answered	13	2.95%
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12d Turning waste into energy (e.g., local heating or electricity)

	Number	Per Cent
Essential	243	55.23%
Important	165	37.50%
Not Very Important	20	4.55%
Not at all Important	3	0.68%
Not Answered	9	2.05%
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About you

Are you male or female?

	Number	Per Cent
Male	178	40.45%
Female	244	55.45%
Not Answered	18	4.09%
TOTAL	440	100.00%

What age range do you fall into?

	Number	Per Cent
18-24	6	1.36%
25-34	48	10.91%
35-44	53	12.05%
45-54	86	19.55%
55-59	50	11.36%
60-64	47	10.68%
65-74	90	20.45%
75+	57	12.95%
Not Answered	3	0.68%
TOTAL	440	100.00%

Which category best describes your ethnic background?

	Number	Per Cent
White	409	92.95%
Mixed Heritage	0	0.00%
Asian or Asian British	4	0.91%
Black or Black British	3	0.68%
Chinese	2	0.45%
English	1	0.23%
Irish	0	0.00%
Welsh	0	0.00%
White European	0	0.00%
Other not stated	4	0.91%
Not Answered	17	3.86%
TOTAL	440	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	0	0.00%
Three Rivers	0	0.00%
Watford	440	100.00%
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 (Uttersford)	0	0.00%
Unsure	0	0.00%
TOTAL	440	100.00%

Are you representing an organisation?

	Number	Per Cent
Yes	3	0.68%