

Report of:	Cabinet Member for Clean Streets, Recycling and Environment
To:	Waste Task and Finish Group
Date:	19th April 2017

Progress Report on Implementation: Household Recycling Centres (HRCs)

Review Information

Date approved at City Council:	3 February 2015
Member who led the original review:	Councilor Majid Mahmood
Lead Officer for the review:	Emma Williamson
Date progress last tracked:	11 Dec 2015

1. In approving this Review the City Council asked me, as the appropriate Cabinet Member for Clean Streets, Recycling and Environment, to report on progress towards these recommendations to this Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
2. Details of progress with the remaining recommendations are shown in Appendix 2.
3. Members are therefore asked to consider progress against the recommendations and give their view as to how progress is categorized for each.

Appendices

1	Scrutiny Office guidance on the tracking process
2	Recommendations you are tracking today
3	Recommendations tracked previously and concluded

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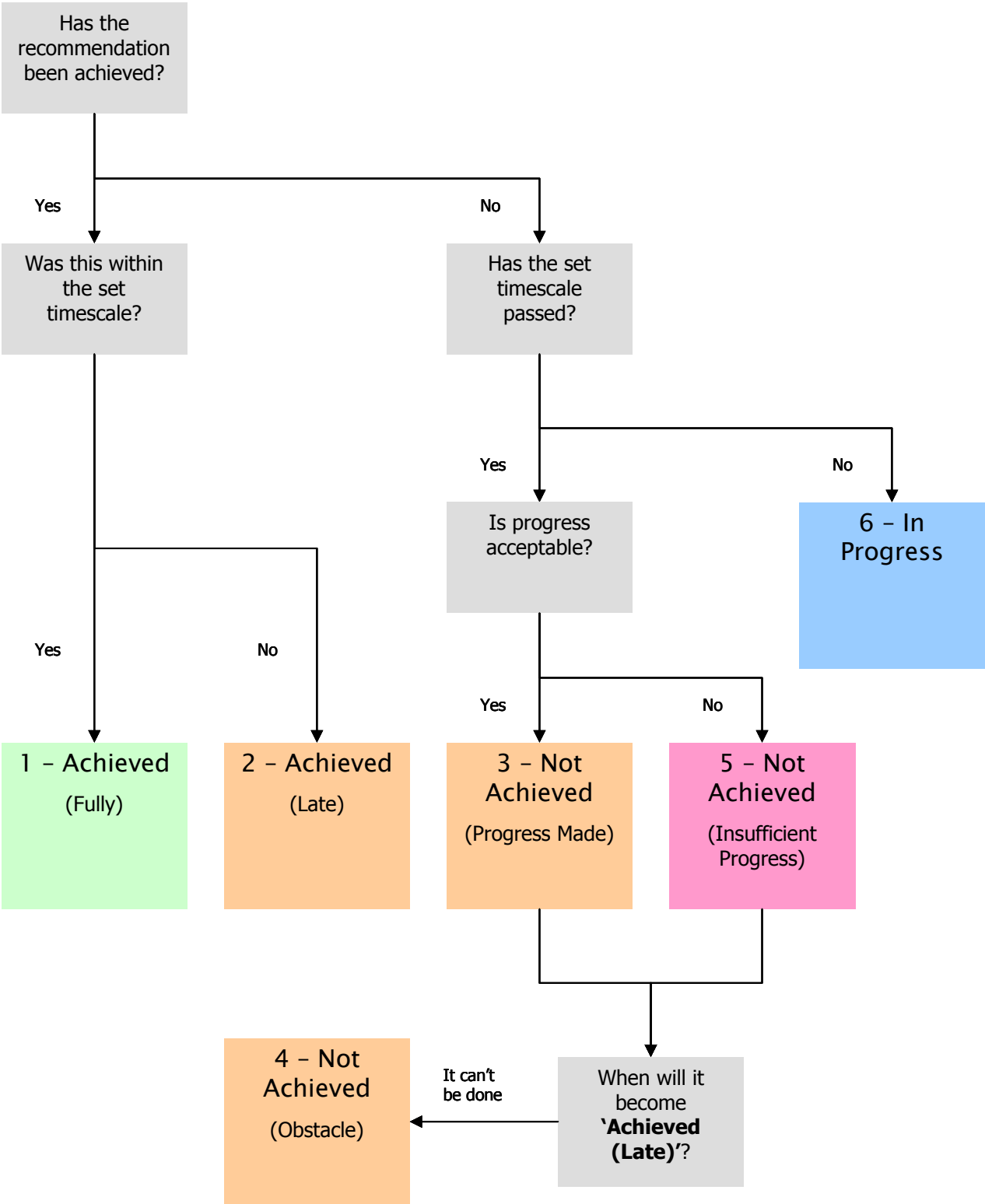
Appendix 1: The Tracking Process

In making its assessment, the Committee may wish to consider:

- What progress/ key actions have been made against each recommendation?
- Are these actions pertinent to the measures required in the recommendation?
- Have the actions been undertaken within the time scale allocated?
- Are there any matters in the recommendation where progress is outstanding?
- Is the Committee satisfied that sufficient progress has been made and that the recommendation has been achieved?

Category	Criteria
1: Achieved (Fully)	The evidence provided shows that the recommendation has been fully implemented within the timescale specified.
2: Achieved (Late)	The evidence provided shows that the recommendation has been fully implemented but not within the timescale specified.
3: Not Achieved (Progress Made)	The evidence provided shows that the recommendation has not been fully achieved, but there has been significant progress made towards full achievement. An anticipated date by which the recommendation is expected to become achieved must be advised.
4: Not Achieved (Obstacle)	The evidence provided shows that the recommendation has not been fully achieved, but all possible action has been taken. Outstanding actions are prevented by obstacles beyond the control of the Council (such as passage of enabling legislation).
5: Not Achieved (Insufficient Progress)	The evidence provided shows that the recommendation has not been fully achieved and there has been insufficient progress made towards full achievement. An anticipated date by which the recommendation is expected to become achieved must be advised.
6: In Progress	It is not appropriate to monitor achievement of the recommendation at this time because the timescale specified has not yet expired.

The Tracking Process



Appendix 2: Progress with Recommendations

No.	Recommendation	Responsibility	Original Date For Completion	Cabinet Member's Assessment
R01	That serious consideration is given to opening a new HRC in Birmingham as part of the new waste disposal arrangements post 2019	Cabinet Member for Clean Streets, Recycling and Environment	March 2016	3: Not achieved (Progress made)
Evidence of Progress (and Anticipated Completion Date if 'Not Achieved')				
A review of the HRC arrangements is continuing - both for new sites and as part of the new disposal contract, for seasonal demand (garden waste) and to consider the provision of an additional Reuse facility in the south of the City. Progress on this is clearly aligned with waste disposal arrangements post 2019 and therefore completion of this recommendation within the original timescale has not been possible.				
No.	Recommendation	Responsibility	Original Date For Completion	Cabinet Member's Assessment
R03	That an assessment is made of the enforcement of the Birmingham residents only policy alongside an assessment of a formal joint use policy with other local authorities. This should include the exploration of opening a new joint facility (alongside Recommendation 01)	Cabinet Member for Clean Streets, Recycling and Environment	November 2015	3: Not achieved (Progress made)
Evidence of Progress (and Anticipated Completion Date if 'Not Achieved')				
From June 2017, with the introduction of charging for Trade Waste at HRC's, work will start to explore the impact of reinforcing the use of Birmingham HRC by only residents of the city.				
No.	Recommendation	Responsibility	Original Date For Completion	Cabinet Member's Assessment
R04	That re-use is a priority in the revised waste strategy; and that an extension of the Re-Users Project to other HRCS is explored.	Cabinet Member for Clean Streets, Recycling and Environment	March 2016	3: Not achieved (Progress made)
Evidence of Progress (and Anticipated Completion Date if 'Not Achieved')				
The Waste Management service is, together with other service areas of the City Council, exploring options to establish a second Reuse Centre in the south of the city. Potential sites are currently being sought.				
Continued support is being given to the Jericho Foundation who are working with the Council on the Waste Reduction Strategy and who continue to flourish on their site at the Norris Way HRC.				
Additionally consideration is being given in the specification under the new procurement to allocate areas for Reuse within the existing HRCs				
No.	Recommendation	Responsibility	Original Date For Completion	Cabinet Member's Assessment
R06	That options for smart card use – to reduce contamination and monitor	Cabinet Member for Clean Streets,	September 2015	2: Achieved (Late)

	usage – are considered for inclusion in any future waste contract	Recycling and Environment		
Evidence of Progress (and Anticipated Completion Date if 'Not Achieved')				
This option has been considered and initial discussions highlight that this would be too costly to introduce and will not be taken forward as part of the new procurement process.				
No.	Recommendation	Responsibility	Original Date For Completion	Cabinet Member's Assessment
R07	That a recycling centre/facility for trade and commercial waste is considered as part of the new waste strategy, and procurement of any new contract	Cabinet Member for Clean Streets, Recycling and Environment	March 2016	3: Not achieved (Progress made)
Evidence of Progress (and Anticipated Completion Date if 'Not Achieved')				
A separate approach to Trade Waste at the HRCs has been agreed and is in preparation to launch in June 2017. This will allow Traders to pay to use the HRC at Tyseley initially to take their waste and should deliver and income stream to the Council. The cost of disposal for recyclable materials compared to non-recyclable is significantly lower to encourage Trade to separate out waste.				

Appendix ③: Concluded Recommendations

These recommendations have been tracked previously and concluded. They are presented here for information only.

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No.	Recommendation	Responsibility	Date Concluded by Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Tracking Assessment
R02	That the opening of temporary sites over the summer is investigated, to deal with the increased volume of green waste.	Cabinet Member	Dec 2015	1.Achieved (Fully)
R05	That the lease for the Re-Users project is extended to allow Jericho to undertake long term planning.	Cabinet Member for Clean Streets, Recycling and Environment	Dec 2015	1: Achieved (Fully)