

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

**You asked:**

**Of the materials, waste and other items placed for collection in the council's Orange Bag Recycling Service:**

**- what percentage is in fact recycled?**

**ANSWER**

**98%**

**- what percentage is in fact passed to landfill or incinerated despite being placed for recycling in Orange Bags?**

**2% landfill**

**Please provide the above data as available since the scheme's inception or for such other periods as are available. If the data has not or cannot yet be produced, then please provide the estimates upon which the scheme was commenced, and how these estimates were produced.**

**The information above has been provided by the Aldridge Material Recovery Facility based on throughput tonnages.**

**Please provide a breakdown of any data or estimates as according to different categories of waste (plastic / glass / etc).**

**60 % paper/cardboard**

**8% metal drinks/food cans**

**21% plastics**

**9% glass**

**Please provide any council information on the reasons why materials placed for recycling are instead sent to landfill / incinerated, such as:**

**- inadequate facilities**

**- residents placing inappropriate items in the bag**

**and any data relating to the same.**

**The 2% landfill rate is reflective of the wrong materials being placed in the bags by residents.**

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**Information Governance Manager**

**Information and Support**

**Leicester City Council**

**FREEPOST (LE985/33)**

**New Walk Centre**

**LEICESTER LE1 6ZG**

e-mail: [FOIA@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:FOIA@leicester.gov.uk)

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You can also complain to the Information Commissioner at:

**Information Commissioner's Office**

**Wycliffe House**

**Water Lane**

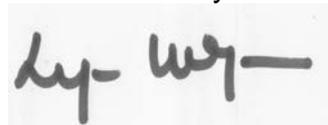
**Wilmslow SK9 5AF**

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Yours sincerely



**Lynn Wyeth**

**Information Governance Manager**