

APSE Refuse, Recycling, Streetscene, Grounds and Parks Seminar 2018

Glasgow Commercial Waste Project

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Introduction

- **Scale of the problem**
- **How we got there**
- **Reasons for intervention**
- **Examples of interventions elsewhere**
- **What the pilot project achieved**
- **Next phases**

transforming **glasgow**





How We Got There

Waste (Scotland) Regulations 2012

- Paper
- Glass
- Cardboard
- Food (for business that generate more than 50kg of food waste)
- General Waste
- Plastic
- Metal



Reasons for Intervention

- **Conference capital of Scotland (2nd to London)**
- **2.2m visitors a year generating £575m**
- **Business tourism since 2005 valued at over £1bn**
- **1st UK retail centre outside London (£3.309bn output 2014)**
- **Strong night-time economy (£2.159bn output 2014)**



Reasons for Intervention

- Tourism and Visitor Plan
- City Centre Strategy & Action Plan
- City Centre City Deal Public Realm
- Improve look and feel of the city
- Provide further business opportunities
- Reduce rodent infestations
- Remove obstructions from pavements and lanes (disadvantaged groups)
- Reduce fly-tipping at bins
- Reduce complaints







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Wandsworth The Tooting time-banded trade waste collection initiative





- **Commercial waste containers not permitted to be stored permanently on public space.**
- **Commercial waste to be presented for collection on public space during the following times only:**

07:30 – 11:00

17:00 - 23:00

- **Within presentation times, waste only permitted to be presented for up to one hour**
- **Waste may only be placed on-street when the business is staffed and never overnight**
- **Waste containers must be placed as near to the edge of business's property as possible, while retaining clear pedestrian access.**

Legislation

- **S.59 Roads (Scotland) Act 1984** relates to ‘control of obstructions in roads’
- Allows the authority to remove obstructions and recover expenses

- **S.47 Environ. Protection Act 1990** allows the authority to specify where and when waste receptacles are placed for emptying where they are ‘likely to cause nuisance or be detrimental to the amenities of the locality’

Live – Monday 3rd April – 6th October 2017

Step 1 – Pilot Areas

- 1 Sauchiehall Street** – from Cambridge Street to St George's Road at Renfrew Road
- 2 Sauchiehall Lane** – from Elmbank Street to Hope Street
- 3 Robertson Street**
- 4 West Nile Street** – between Gordon Street and St Vincent Street - including Drury Street
- 5 Garth Street** -Merchant City
- 6 John Street** -Merchant City
- 7 North Lane**
- 8 North Court**

Baseline Survey and Keep Scotland Beautiful Assessment

Engagement

- 8 week period of engagement with businesses, waste contractors, trade associations and other stakeholders
- Flyers and leaflets mailed to businesses
- Survey monkey
- Individual visits to businesses
- One to one meetings with commercial waste contractors
- Council webpage developed, FAQ's, links & advice
- Free workshops facilitated by Zero Waste Scotland



Implementation

- **Notices attached to bins in pilot area at start of June advising bin would be removed if still there in 4 weeks**
- **On 25th June 107 bins were uplifted and taken to Roads depot for storage**
- **The eight pilot locations have since remained clear of bins, apart from presentation windows**
- **Commercial Waste Enforcement Officers patrol pilot areas daily to identify problems and engage with businesses and contractors**

Evaluation

- **Improvement in Cleanliness Index score for pilot area**
- **Positive feedback from residents, visitors, community councils, elected members, trade associations**
- **Constructive feedback from affected businesses and contractors**
- **Still some issues with fly-tipping and some types of trade waste**
- **Before and after pictures!**

North Court



North Court Lane



Garth Street



Sauchiehall Street

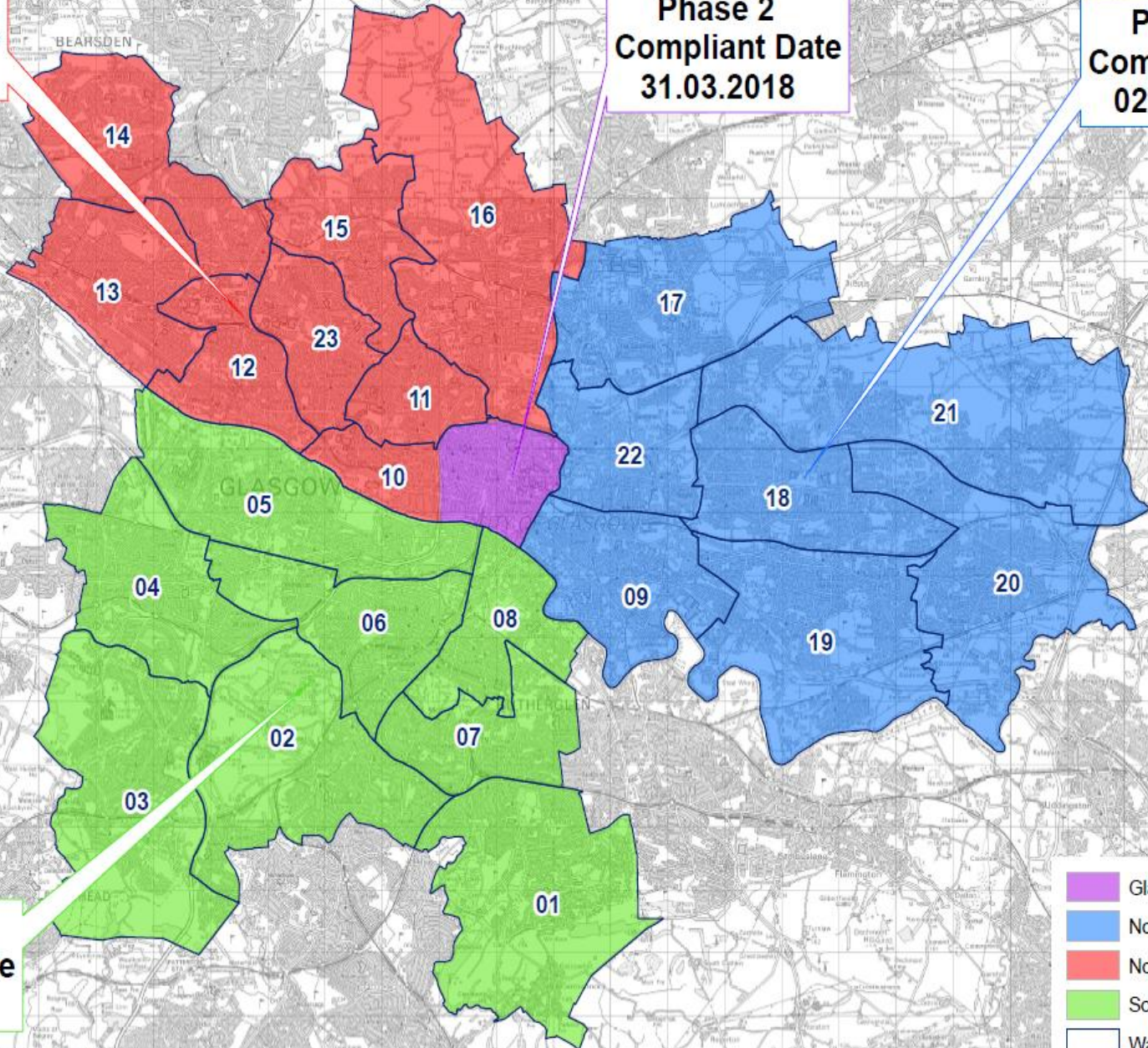


**Phase 3
Compliant Date
15.09.2018**

**Phase 2
Compliant Date
31.03.2018**

**Phase 5
Compliant Date
02.03.2019**

**Phase 4
Compliant Date
08.12.2018**



- Glasgow City Centre
- North East
- North West
- South
- Ward Boundaries

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