

The future of waste collection: EPR where to next?

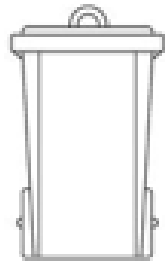
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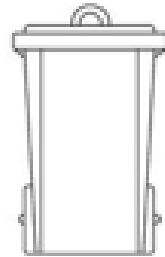


Greater Manchester Collection System



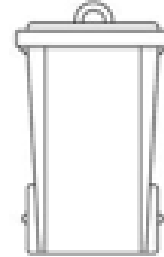
Mixed
Recycling

Plastic bottles
Glass bottles & jars
Food and drink
cans
Aerosols
Foil & foil trays



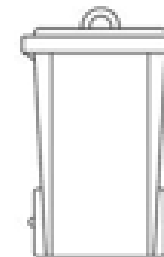
Paper &
card

Newspapers
Magazines
Cardboard
Tetra Paks



Food &
garden

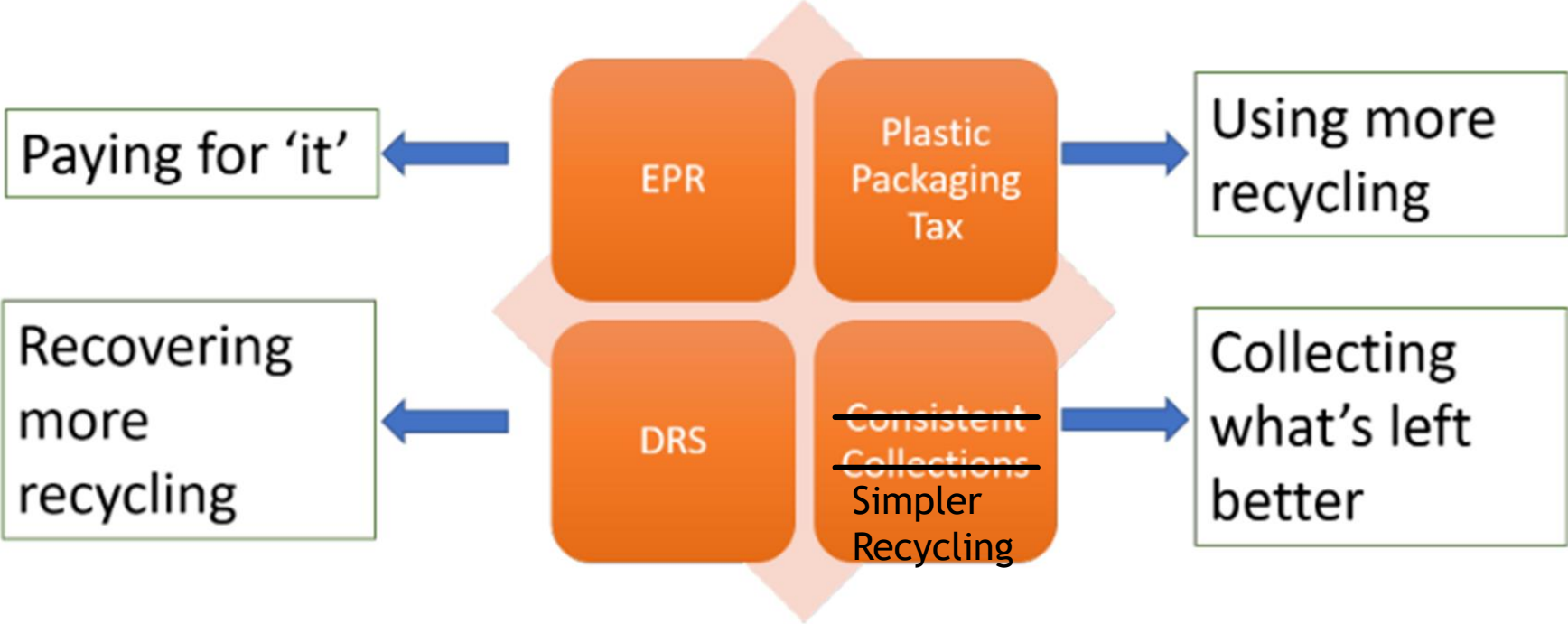
All food waste
(Raw or
cooked)
Garden waste



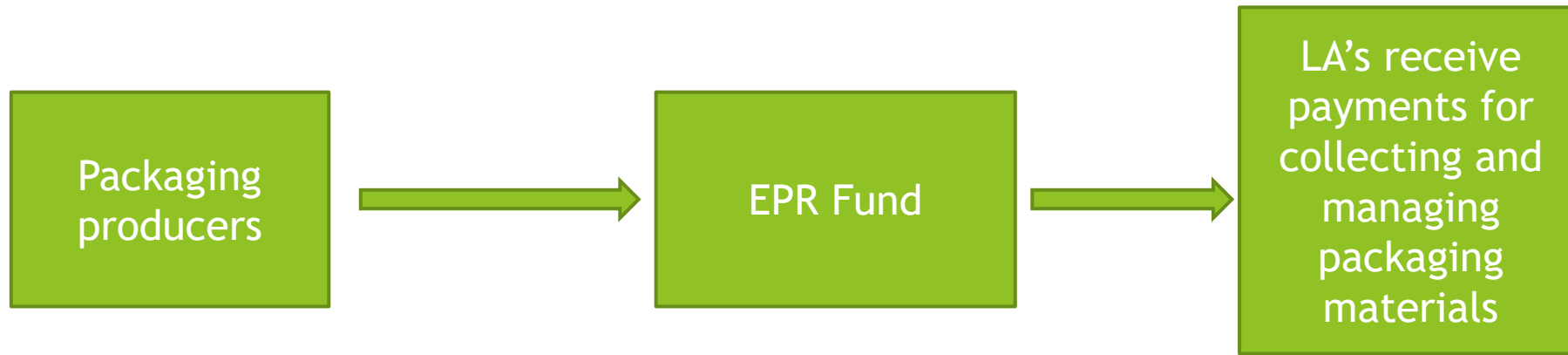
Non-recyclable

Plastic
packaging
Polystyrene
Nappies
etc

National Resources and Waste Strategy



Extended Producer Responsibility



Charges applied based on amount and type of packaging placed on the market

Scheme administrator to be established

Payments based on modelled comparators and “efficient and effective” services

TEEP exemptions apply

EPR

- ▶ An **efficient** service is defined in the forthcoming Regulations and is one where costs are as low as reasonably possible, taking into account:
 - ▶ *the nature of the service provided*
 - ▶ *Any other factors specific to the local authority or its area which are likely to affect costs*
- ▶ An **effective** service is not defined in the forthcoming Regulation
- ▶ Deductions – contamination levels, performance below benchmark, improvement plans
- ▶ Income – how will this be assessed for year ahead, what indices will be used, how will contract commercial factors be accounted for?
- ▶ All to be determined by Scheme Administrator (not established yet) and guidance by end of year (?)



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This was my absolute favourite as a kid:

Snow White and the Seven Bins (1937)



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You can now recycle your plastic pots, tubs and trays with your plastic bottles






WRAP Greater Consistency

Multi-stream with separate food

 or  Residual waste
(up to a maximum
equivalent of
120 litres weekly)

Minimum of 120 litres collected weekly

 **Plastics, metals
and cartons**
 **Glass and card***
 **Paper**

 **Food**

 **Plastics, metals,
cartons, glass,
card, paper
and food**

Two-stream (fibres separate) with separate food

 or  Residual waste
(up to a maximum
equivalent of
120 litres weekly)

Minimum equivalent of 120 litres weekly

 **Plastics, metals,
cartons and glass**
 or  **Paper and card**

 **Food**

 **Plastics, metals,
cartons, glass,
card and paper**
 **Food**

Co-mingled with separate food

 or  Residual waste
(up to a maximum
equivalent of
120 litres weekly)

Minimum equivalent of 120 litres weekly

 or  **Plastics, metals,
cartons, glass,
paper and card****

 **Food**

 **Plastics, metals,
cartons, glass,
card and paper**
 **Food**

Uncertainty... but we will rise to the challenge

- ▶ DRS and simpler recycling bigger impact than EPR on waste collection
- ▶ “efficient and effective”
- ▶ Will EPR and modulated fees drive change of materials and waste composition?
- ▶ New types of packaging e.g. fibre based bottles



Renewing contracts: to extend or reprocure?

- ▶ Relationship with your contractor
- ▶ Contract extension
- ▶ Procurement options
- ▶ Market research
- ▶ Waste composition
- ▶ What is your current change control process like?



Reprocure?

- ▶ Type of contract
- ▶ Specification & contract documents
- ▶ Change control process
- ▶ Open book
- ▶ Competitive dialogue
- ▶ Risk
- ▶ Timeline is important - you always need another 6 months



Future changes

- ▶ Near elimination of biodegradable waste to landfill
- ▶ Halve residual waste by the year 2042
- ▶ Emissions Trading Scheme - to include EFW from 2028
- ▶ Waste Prevention Plan
 - ▶ Construction Waste, Textiles, Furniture, Electronics, Vehicles, Plastic and packaging, Food waste
 - ▶ Are we going to see EPR to cover some of these waste streams
- ▶ Political change



Thank you for listening

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