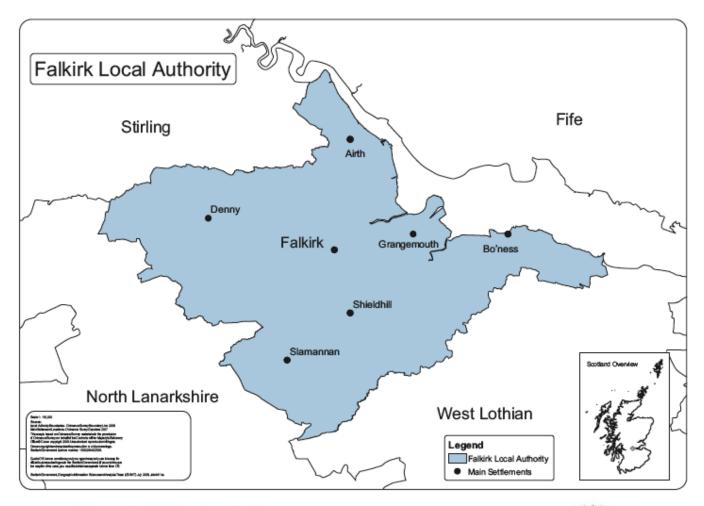
# Challenges & Benefits To Operating Your Own MRF

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### Falkirk Area





#### Blue Bin Collection

#### **Co-mingled Dry Recyclate**



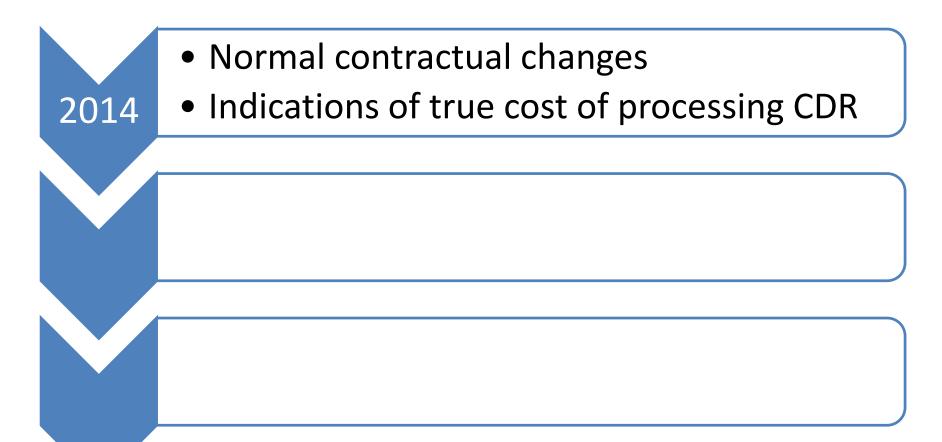
#### **Collected Every 2 Weeks**



Approx. 12,500 tonnes



# 'The Story of the Blues'





## Rough CDR Basket Price





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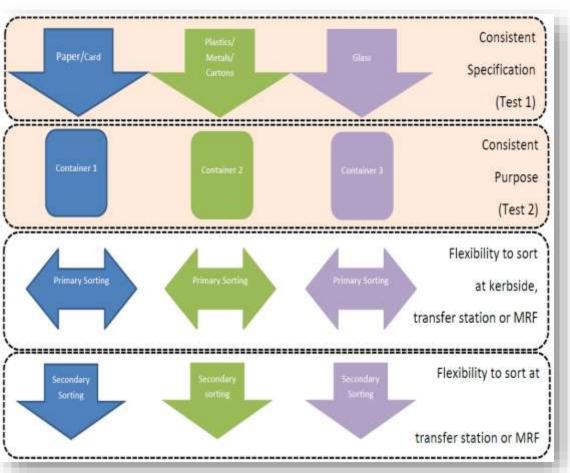
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## Recycling Charter Established









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- Charter released (paper/card & metals/plastics)

2016

- Cost of external processing at critical point
- Agreed to in-house MRF started August 2016



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- Additional employment
- Developing local skills and expertise
- Potential to control our own material flow
- Finding balance of input, kit, staff, output
- Further progress with baling and quality





#### What If...?











#### Benefits

- Additional employment
- Developing local skills and expertise
- Potential to control our own material flow
- Finding balance of input, kit, staff, output
- Further progress with baling and quality
- Potential creation of a material 'Resource Hub'
- Local education centre with a 'litter' tie-in





# Thank you



