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APSE National Waste, Recycling and Street Scene Advisory Group

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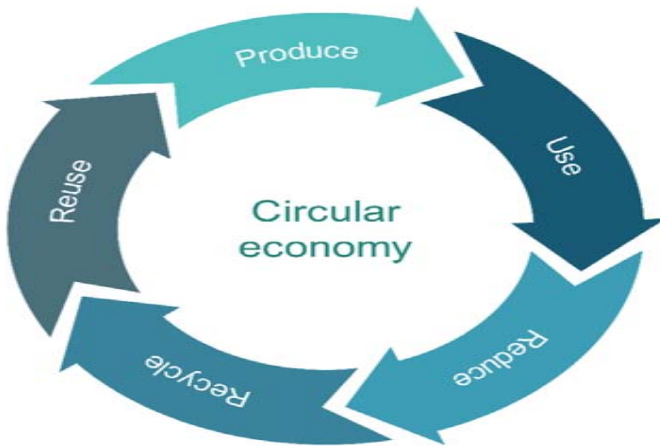
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APSE Innovation Awards Refuse & Streetscene 2022



Recognising and Sharing Innovation and Best Practice

- Re-introduced in 2017
- Proved popular with member authorities.
- Three areas of awards:
 - Refuse and Recycling
 - Streetscene
 - Parks and Greenspaces
- Winners promoted in APSE Report
- Quedos and publicity for winning authorities.
- Promoted through seminars and Advisory groups.





Refuse and Recycling

A wide variety of initiatives were received including:

- community support initiatives to improve recycling rates,
- digital self-service portals,
- school recycling programmes,
- food waste collection from difficult properties,
- in cab- technologies
- improving physical recycling infrastructures.





Refuse and Recycling Winner 2022 Fife Council

- Collection, sorting and re-use within local authority area of hard to recycle film and flexible plastics
- 'Ecosheet', a plyboard replacement
- Addresses Circular Economy principles.
- Collections from all areas 182,000 households
- 3000 tonnes p.a. of an EPR obligated material
- 60 jobs have been brought into the local economy
- Blue-print for other local authorities
- Increased recycling rate by 2.5%





Streetscene

- Litter picking schemes linked to improving physical activity.
- Partnership conversations to decide on priority local environmental cleaning issues in an area of tourism.
- Improving frequency and consistency of H&S inspections via an app leading to corporate wide adoption.
- Use of street bin routing technology to improve resource efficiency, meet COPLR and reduce carbon emissions.
- Creating herbicide free street cleaning to allow greater opportunities for biodiversity with the help of 'Street Champion' volunteers.





Streetscene Winner 2022 Durham County Council

- Digitised issuing of FPN's to allow on site issuing and recording of FPN'S
- Alternative e-learning course outlining cost and impact of littering
- c.500 people undertaken course – no repeat offending noted.
- Early intervention tool for waste on property.
- Improved digital skills of staff
- Transferable to other local authorities.



On the spot issuing of Fixed Penalty Notices



Digitise and streamline front/back-office process



Educate people on the effects of dropping litter



Raise awareness of the costs of litter



Reduce reoffending



Create a universal course that could be utilised by other local authorities, potentially generating revenue to support the service.



How to be a winner and the benefits

- Transferability and practicality are key elements
- Clear and concise explanations
- Don't throw the kitchen sink in!
- Try to avoid off-the-shelf solutions – everyone can access these.
- Measurable achievements and benefits
- Customer opinions
- Evidence of 'making a difference'.
- Finalists and winners promoted by APSE.
- Quedos – internal and external
- Visible award.





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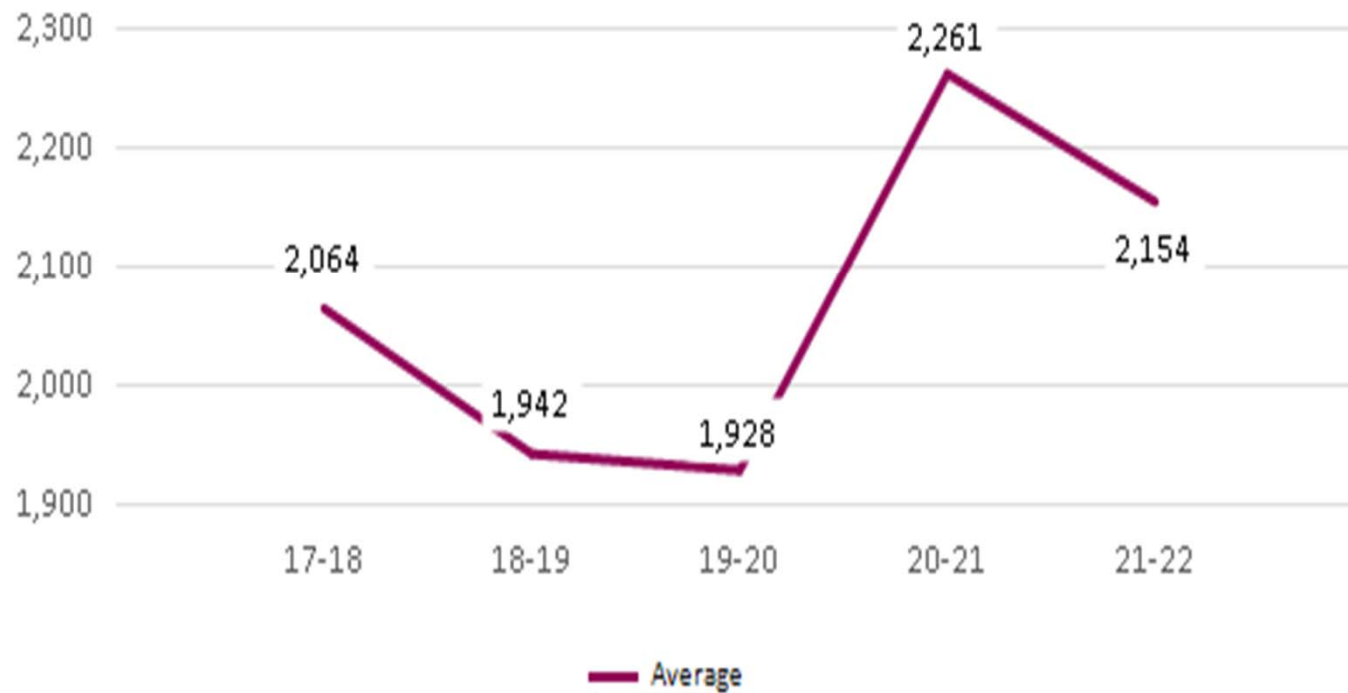
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PI 35a Litres of fuel used annually in refuse collection vehicles per 1,000 head of population





PI 20a Staff absence (all employees)

