



My Ref: FOI 6447
Enquiries to: Information Requests
E-Mail: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

Dear Requester,

Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to request data regarding the council's current management, logistics, and expenditure related to municipal green waste and parks groundskeeping waste.

To assist with your search and ensure the request is proportionate, please provide the following information for the most recently completed financial year (e.g., 2025/2026):

1. Tonnage & Volume

What was the total tonnage of municipal green waste (including grass clippings, park maintenance waste, and verge cuttings) collected by or on behalf of the council?

The Council does not collect or remove grass clippings generated from its grass cutting operations and as such, there is no associated disposal tonnage or disposal cost.

Horticultural waste generated within Locke Park and Elsecar Park is composted on site and reused within those parks.

2. Financial Expenditure

What was the total annual cost, or the average gate fee paid per ton, for the disposal and processing of this municipal green waste?

N/A

3. Processing Logistics

Who are the primary external contractors or facilities currently responsible for processing this green waste?

N/A

What is the primary processing method currently utilised for this waste (e.g., windrow composting, anaerobic digestion, biomass incineration, or landfill)?

N/A

What is the estimated or average distance (in miles) that this green waste is transported from the council's primary depots to the final processing facilities?

N/A

4. End-Product Utilisation

Does the council currently purchase back any of the resulting by-products (such as compost or fertiliser) from these contractors for use within municipal parks?

N/A

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Wycliffe House
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Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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