

Consultation Response from Alan Smith,
KC Waste Strategy(Refuse & Recycling)

2025/91185 building at, Back Chapel Lane, Moldgreen, Huddersfield, HD5 9BG

Demolition of redundant engineering building and erection of student accommodation block

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The following comments are made without prejudice and purely from the point of view of the Waste Collection Authority.

To meet the operational requirements of the Authority the following issues need to be addressed. Solving these will help create an environment that functions safely and efficiently for waste management; and reduce the negative impacts of bin blight on the neighbourhood. This will also enable the proposal to better meet the policy requirements of LP24 part d (vi), LP43 and the Kirklees Highway Design Guide SPD in respect of refuse collection. Ultimately this will be to the benefit both residents and the Authority for the life of the development.

Waste storage and presentation:

The proposed waste management solution is detailed in the “Waste Management Statement” 09/06/2025



- The application is for the construction of 31 apartments. The plan shows the proposed wheeled bin store located at the East Side of the building off Chapel Lane. Waste storage capacity for 31 apartments should consist of 180ltr x 31 = 5,580ltrs. Assuming the use of 1,100ltr wheeled bins this equates to 5 containers each for both residual waste and recycling. So, **10 x 1,100ltr wheeled bins would be needed.**

- If adequate storage cannot be accommodated on site, then there may need to be a review of the configuration of residual and recycling provision or the management company for the development could consider more frequent collections (e.g. weekly residual) on an additional paid for basis. KC Trade waste staff can arrange to meet on site and discuss potential solutions.
- With the introduction of the new Simpler Recycling Legislation there will be a future requirement for the Council to collect waste from potentially 4 different containers, this could include:
 - residual (non-recyclable) waste
 - food waste (mixed with garden waste if appropriate)
 - paper and card
 - all other dry recyclable materials (plastic, metal and glass)

This waste be collected using various container types, including bags, bins or stackable boxes. Therefore, any proposed waste storage area must be able to hold other necessary containers as required.

- The communal waste storage area should be secured to prevent unauthorised use, rough sleeping, damage or theft.
- The bin store should be of suitable dimensions to accommodate the bins and constructed in compliance with the details specified in the design guide.
- The bin store must comply with fire regulations (refer to BS 5906:2005 Waste Management in Buildings; BS476-22:1987: Fire tests on building materials and structures; and BS EN 1634-1:2008: Fire resistance and smoke control tests for door, shutter and open-able window assemblies and elements of building hardware) for internal compounds.
- Access from the bin store area to the Bin Collection Point (BCP) on Chapel Lane next to the highway should be constructed to withstand point loading and movement, impacts of larger bins over time, and to resist future rutting, pitting, cracking or other such surface degradation that would impair bin manoeuvring. **A drop kerb should be installed if there is a change of levels from the BCP to the highway.** Wheeled bins must not be permanently stored on the pavement or highway on Chapel Lane. There should be room to accommodate 5 x 1,100ltr at the BCP.

Refuse Collection Vehicle access:

The Authority defers to Highways colleagues for technical analysis of the road layout and swept paths in respect of RCV access but offers the following observations in this regard.

- The WCA currently collects from properties on Chapel Lane.

- Section 45 (1)(a) of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 imposes a duty on the Waste Collection Authority to arrange for the collection of household waste in its area. Regardless of whether a private collection contractor is used the WCA would wish to ensure there is sufficient waste storage capacity on site, appropriate access, and that if the responsibility for collection falls to the WCA in future that efficient waste collection can be achieved.

If the application is approved, the following conditions are requested:

- A) Before development commences, further details to ensure suitable storage, and access for collection of wastes from the dwellings shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved details shall be provided before first occupation and shall be so retained thereafter.
- B) Before development commences, details of the management and maintenance of refuse storage areas and presentation of bins to the BCP on collection day, by a designated private management company shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The approved details shall be provided before first occupation and shall be so retained thereafter.

Waste policy context:

1. Local Plan Policy LP24 (part d.vi) and National Planning Policy for Waste (para 8) by –“incorporating adequate facilities to allow occupiers to separate and store waste for recycling and recovery that are well designed and visually unobtrusive and allows for the convenient collection of waste”
2. Local Plan Policy LP43 Waste Management Hierarchy “The council will encourage and support the minimisation of waste production and support the re-use and recovery of waste materials including, for example, recycling, composting and Energy from Waste recovery”.
3. Local plan Policy LP15 – residential use in town centres part h: provision of refuse storage and collection.
4. Scheme design should conform to Building for a Healthy Life (2020); Building Regulations 2010 part H6; and British Standard 5906:2005 Waste Management in Buildings Code of Practice.
5. Further advice and full guidance is contained in the [Kirklees Waste Management Design Guide 2020](https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/guidance-and-advice-notes.aspx) (found at <https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/guidance-and-advice-notes.aspx>) and the [Kirklees Highway Design Guide SPD](https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-policy/adopted-supplementary-planning-documents.aspx) found at <https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-policy/adopted-supplementary-planning-documents.aspx>