

2021/22 Q3

ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE & WASTE MANAGEMENT

Cabinet Member: Councillor Jonathan Bacon

Portfolio Responsibilities:

- Environment
 - Parks and Open Spaces
 - Beach Huts and Beach Management
 - Rights of Way
 - Biosphere
 - Climate Change and Environment
 - Countryside Management
 - Allotments
 - Playing Fields / Sports Grounds
 - Amenity Land Hire
- Heritage
 - Libraries
 - Medina Theatre
- Museums
- Archaeology
- Records Office
- Waste
 - Waste Collection (Household, Schools and Trade)
 - Waste Disposal
 - Forest Road Waste Recovery Park (MT plant and energy from Waste Plant)
 - Household Waste Recycling Centres
 - Commercial Waste Recycling Centres
 - Closed Landfill sites
 - Littering and Fly Tipping

Service Updates - Key Aspirations and Ongoing Business

A programme of works is currently being developed and additional funding sought in order to annually increase the number of trees planted and maintained from April 2022 in accordance with a new tree management and planting plan to increase biodiversity, green corridors, and off set carbon impacts. Additionally, a programme is in place to manage the implementation of the streetlight changeover by Island Roads as part of our bid to secure International Dark Sky Space designation as soon as possible.

In January 2022 IWC Cabinet received a proposed framework for embedding the UNESCO sustainable development principles into how the council works, makes decisions and develops policy to strengthen and support sustainable development principles for society, environment, culture and economic recovery. The framework was adopted by Cabinet and a Biosphere Steering Committee will be established that will be administratively supported by the Council and will work alongside the Mission Zero Hub.

As part of our aspiration to increase the use of renewable energy in all sectors, Commissioners are required to consider climate, environment, and UNESCO biosphere impact in the pre procurement planning stages of their projects and build appropriate criteria into their procurement documents. This will include greenhouse gas/carbon reporting. We are also holding regular meetings with Scottish and Southern Energy and relevant stakeholders in order to build into the work plan of the Energy Hub within the Mission Zero Hub.

Work is ongoing around increasing the number of garden waste subscriptions in order to facilitate a quicker breakeven point for an additional vehicle which will lead to greater capacity for the service. This ties in with our continuing programme of work around reducing the amount of non-essential waste sent to landfill via completion of the Energy from Waste plant, which is on course for completion by April 2022.

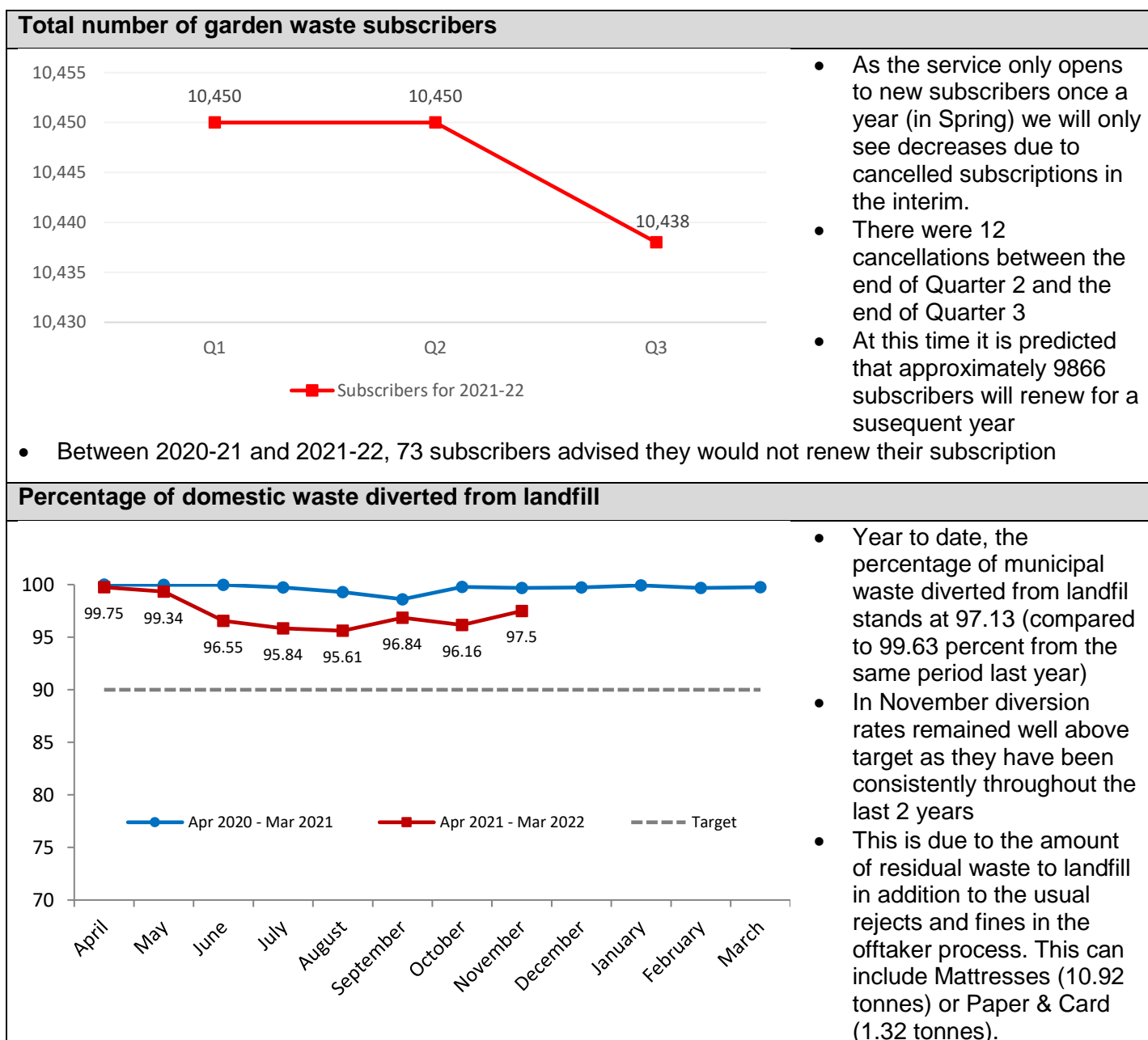
We continue to work towards the delivery of a new Records Office, with construction works to start on site by April 2027, subject to the agreement to a full business case by March 2025 as agreed by the Leader, Cllrs Jones-Evans and Bacon with the Director of Regeneration. The Council met with the National Archive in January to discuss the preferred option and agree a way forward for its funding and delivery.

Performance Measures

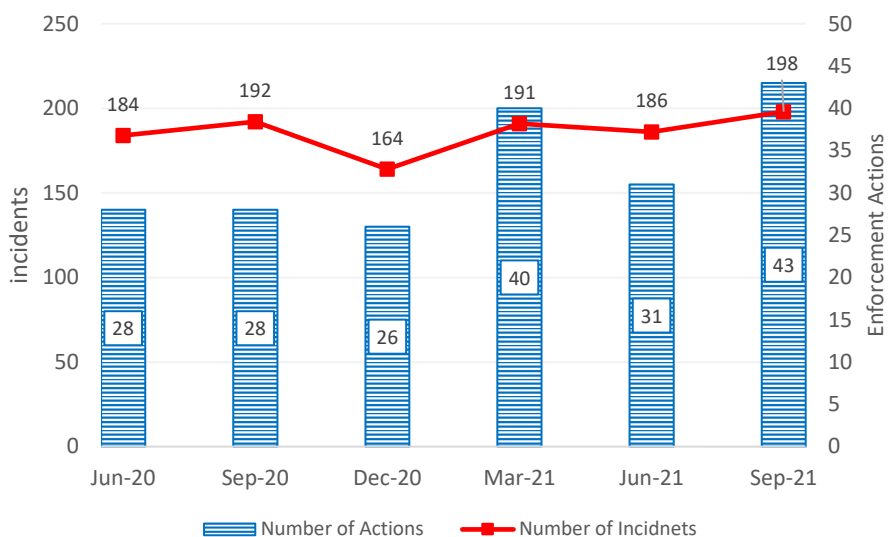
Please note that annual measures will only be reported in Quarter 4. For this portfolio, this will include:

- Carbon emissions
- Increase number of IWC employees cycling or walking to work (when they attend a workplace)
- Number of island schools & colleges participating in the Eco Schools Programme
- Town & Parish councils participating in the Green Impact Programme

The exception to this will be annual measures that are updated during a year where it would be more sensible to bring in that change.

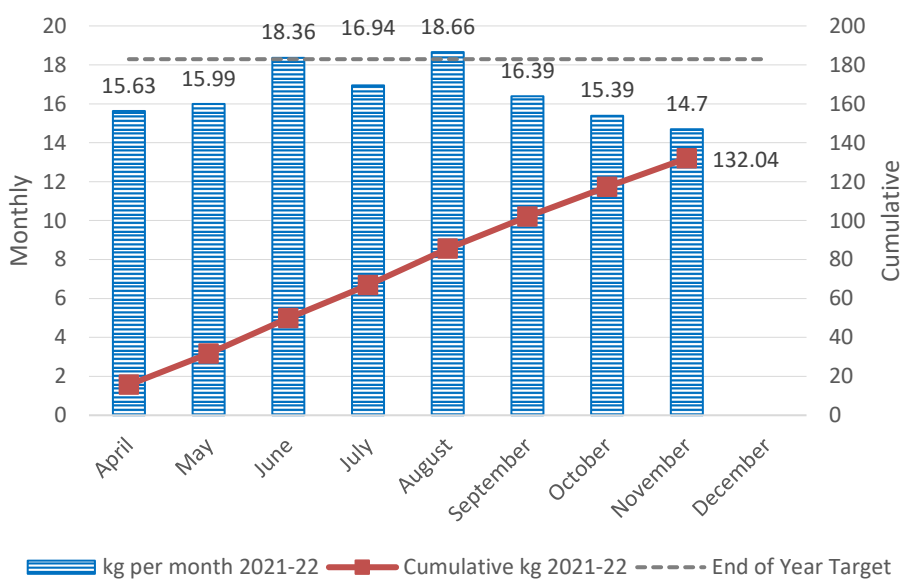


Number of fly tip incidents and actions taken



- 23% of fly tips collected from the highway were domestic side waste
- Up to the end of Quarter 2, there have been 384 incidents reported, with an average of 186 per Quarter since April 2020
- The number of actions taken each quarter have increased significantly when compared with the same period last year (28 actions in September 2020 against 43 in September 2021)

Reduction in residual (LACW) household waste per person



- The levels of reduction per person each month remains relatively consistent, with a year to date monthly average of 16.77kg per person
- If we continue with this level of reduction, we are predicted to reach the end of year target (182.93kg) by February 2022

Percentage of council facilities using green energy only or on-site generation

- This is a new measure introduced in the 2021 Corporate plan and thus no data is yet available
- An update is expected for the Quarter 4 report

Percentage of council suppliers using green energy only or on-site generation

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Strategic Risks

Failure of the Waste contract resulting in significant financial and operational disruption for the council and its residents		
Assigned to: Director of Neighbourhoods		
Inherent score	Target score	Current score
16 RED	5 GREEN	8 AMBER
Previous scores		
Sep 21	Jul 21	Feb 21
8 AMBER	8 AMBER	8 AMBER
No change to risk		