

# Household Recycling Centre Service Consultation

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The Hitcham and Taplow Society has been in existence for over 50 years. It has a main objective to ensure that all development within the district is of the highest standard and preserves the quality of the environment. It represents a significant proportion of the residents of Taplow.

We appreciate the need for efficient use of council funds but make the following observations.

Closing a site for some days of the week saves less money than a complete closure but you should consider partial closures of more sites than presently suggested. With the easy availability of information on-line this level of closures is relatively easy for residents to manage.

Sustainability has become a watchword for council deliberations and we think that “rubbish miles” is an important consideration. Closing the Burnham tip will greatly increase the miles driven by residents in the south of the county. This cost may be invisible to your Waste Department but is a real cost to residents and should be factored in to your calculations.

Residents should always be able to use the nearest tip, which can be in a different authority. Mutual arrangements or modest inter-authority payments to cover this would be very beneficial for residents. In the case of closing Burnham, an agreement with RBWM would be beneficial. Controlling / limiting access to tips based on residency is an expensive overhead and should be avoided.

We are happy for charges to be made for various types of waste.

Roger Worthington, Secretary Hitcham and Taplow Society