CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

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Environment and Sustainability

SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor David Jones

Has the council reported to WAG that they have been diverting contaminated material out of the waste stream by fly tipping and thus "improving" the percentage of waste re-cycled?

On completion of the trial in which Powys County Council participated in conjunction with NRW/WG, we notified NRW of our intent to 'return all leaf litter arising to the highway verge on site'.

The material previously taken to the farm trial sites was included in the data submitted to WG and because it was being recycled at that time the material did contribute to our recycling figures.

The end of the trial meant a reduction in our recycling total of approximately 5.5%.