

County Councillors Report to Bishopsteignton Parish Council

Energy from Waste

2020 stats Plymouth facility processes 65,000 tonnes of our waste each year from the South and West of the County. Overall Waste Processed 261,000 Tonnes. Electricity Generated 204,000 MWh, Steam Generated 57,000 MWh.

Plant Availability 88.93% [target] 91%
Co2 Savings 84,000 Tonnes
Landfill Diversion 99.9%
Cash Savings Vs Landfill Approx £12million pa

Plant availability below target almost entirely because of an outage in October of 100 hours due to an exploding gas bottle causing damage to the fire grate.

Plymouth is one of the least expensive in the country and Exeter one of the most expensive in the country. But both less expensive than Landfill currently £130 per ton.

Devon won an award for the Best New Idea at a recent Local Authority Recycling Advisory Committee with our Shared Savings Scheme working in partnership with 5 of our District Councils. Over £6.8 million worth of savings have been generated over 4 years, with £3.4million shared back with East Devon, Teignbridge, Mid Devon, Torridge and North Devon.

Afghan Refugees in Devon

We now have about 150 refugees in the county temporarily housed in hotels in Exeter and Exmouth with a number of rescued cats and dogs from the well -publicised animal sanctuary in Tiverton area. We should be paid back monetarily by the Home Office but staff are becoming increasingly stretched by the lack of resources.

Cllr. Ron Peart

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