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Appendix 2.

Advantages & Disadvantages of Twin Stream Recycling Collections

Advantages	Disadvantages
Easier for the householder to use	Householder will still need to separate paper / card
Provides more consistency with some Staffordshire and other neighbouring authorities collection systems	Difficult to integrate separate food waste collection
Maintains the 'high' value high quantity materials separately. This takes some of the volatility risk out of the operation	Contamination levels will increase, which will lead to increased costs if not effectively managed.
Increased productivity in collections.	Glass in the comingled element remains a problem. Difficult from a TEEP issue.
Easier to recover following bad weather / other incidents	Twin pack vehicles not as reliable as standard RCV's

Advantages & Disadvantages of Comingled Recycling Collections

Advantages	Disadvantages
Very easy for the householder to use	System will generate high levels of contamination, which could lead to increased costs, and will need to be managed effectively.
Requires a standard RCV for collections, therefore more flexibility in the fleet	Volatile markets for materials will increase gate fees
Provides more consistency with some Staffordshire and other neighbouring authorities collection systems	Materials likely to be exported following sorting process
Fast collection process similar to collecting residual waste	Will require rigorous TEEP assessment
Very easy to recover from bad weather / other incidents	Industry does not like materials from comingled collections. As they will be paying for collections under EPR, they will want more say in how it is collected / processed.
	Difficult to integrate separate food waste collection

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