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LOCAL AUTHORITY RECYCLING
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Defra
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Dear Sir/Madam,

National Indicator 192: a consultation on the classification of "shred and spread"

I am writing to present the LARAC response to the above Consultation, which is contained below, and I thank you for the opportunity to respond.

The responses below are sent on behalf of the Local Authority Recycling Advisory Committee (LARAC). LARAC is an association of around 380 local authorities across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland whose waste management and recycling professionals co-ordinate and operate waste management services. Membership is drawn from all types of authority including statutory Waste Collection (WCA), Waste Disposal (WDA) and Unitary.

Our response has been peer reviewed by members of LARAC's policy team and executive committee. LARAC members have also been invited to comment on the consultation through the members' discussion forum on our website. All contributions received have been taken into account in drafting the response below.

If you have any queries on this response then please contact me at roger.mills@torfaen.gov.uk

Yours faithfully,

Roger Mills
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Question 1: Do you agree that "shred and spread" should not count as "recycling" or "composting" for the purposes of National Indicator 192?

Yes, agreed.

Question 2: If you are a local authority who previously counted "shred and spread" towards your NI 192 target, can you give an indication of the impact in 2010/11 (either tonnages or on recycling rate) as a result of Defra's clarification?

A poll of our members was unable to find any authority that counts "shred and spread" towards NI192 targets.