

Our Reference: 2596

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Environmental Information Regulations 2004 Enquiry: Locations of all public litter and recycling bins

Thank you for contacting West Yorkshire Combined Authority ('the Combined Authority') with your request for information, which was received on 19/12/2025.

Your request was:

"Please treat this as a request for environmental information under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

Please note that EIR regulation 3(2) treats environmental information held by another person on your behalf (for example a contractor) as held by you.

Please provide a digital list, database, GIS layer, or map showing the locations of all public litter bins and public recycling bins that are owned, maintained, or managed by, or on behalf of, your organisation on publicly accessible land or premises you manage, for example:

- * bus stations, interchanges, stations and stops (where you manage the site)*
- * transport hubs and mobility hubs*
- * forecourts, approaches, publicly accessible concourses and car parks you manage*
- * Park & Ride sites you manage*
- * other publicly accessible sites you manage (where relevant)*

Please provide the information in the electronic format you already hold it in (for example CSV/Excel, GeoJSON, shapefile, or a GIS point-layer export), in line with regulation 6 EIR.

If the information is held in an asset management, facilities management, or GIS system, an export of the relevant table/point layer is sufficient.

If a single dataset is not available, please provide the data in the way you hold it (for example by route/line, depot/team, site, or area).



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If precise coordinates are not recorded, please provide any available location descriptors (for example site name, entrance/platform/area, street name, or nearest landmark).

If held, please include (where available): unique bin/asset ID, bin type (litter/recycling), site name, coordinates (lat/long or eastings/northings), and the last updated date.

Contractor-held information (still “held” for EIR):

If a contractor manages servicing or assets, please confirm whether a bin-location dataset is held by that contractor on your behalf and provide it.

If you believe the information is not held:

If you believe you do not hold the requested information, please confirm this explicitly and describe the searches undertaken (for example, the teams consulted and the systems searched, such as GIS, asset registers, facilities management records, or contract management records).

Advice and assistance (regulation 9):

If any part of this request is unclear, or you believe an exception may apply, please provide advice and assistance under EIR regulation 9 so I can refine the request.

If helpful, you may provide the information in stages (for example: bus stations/interchanges first, then other managed sites).

Re-use request (RPSI 2015)

Please also treat this as a formal request for re-use of the disclosed dataset under the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015 (RPSI).

Purpose of re-use

I am developing a free public app and website to help residents and visitors find nearby litter and recycling bins. The app will use factual fields (e.g., coordinates, Eastings/Northings, or simple location descriptions) to display the bins on a map. I will not republish your raw spreadsheet; the data will be converted to JSON to power the map, with values displayed as latitude/longitude.”

This request was handled under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, and I can confirm that the Combined Authority holds some of the information covered by your request. Where the information is not held, or is not held in the format requested, we have provided some narrative to further explain why that is:



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The Combined Authority does not hold a database, GIS layer or location map of publicly accessible litter bins for either general waste or for recycling, nor do we have asset / identification numbers for the bins. The following information regarding the data that we hold regarding litter bins has been provided by the Assets service area who manage our publicly accessible land and premises:

***Bus stations, interchanges, stations and stops (where you manage the site):**

Bus stations within West Yorkshire (please see wymetro.com/buses/bus-stations for a list of those managed by The Combined Authority) have numerous public litter bins which are fitted with general, plastic, and paper, disposal units. We do not hold further details such as location maps, but these are situated throughout the stations.

General and recyclable waste bins within or within the vicinity of a bus stop are managed and maintained by the relevant district council's highway team and not by the Combined Authority. If you wish to re-submit your request to the local councils in West Yorkshire, please find links to their respective contact details below:

<https://www.leeds.gov.uk/opendata/freedom-of-information-act-2000>

<https://www.bradford.gov.uk/open-data/freedom-of-information/freedom-of-information/>

<http://www.calderdale.gov.uk/v2/council/data-and-information/data-protection-and-freedom-information/freedom-information>

<http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/information-and-data/freedom-of-information.aspx>

<http://www.wakefield.gov.uk/about-the-council/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/how-to-make-a-request>

*** transport hubs and mobility hubs:**

The Combined Authority own and maintain 8 general waste bins at the following transport hubs: Todmorden, Wetherby, Hemsworth and South Elmsall; we do not hold further details such as location maps.



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*** forecourts, approaches, publicly accessible concourses and car parks you manage:**

-As above, external public areas have public litter bins as well as internal recycling bins. No bus stations managed by The Combined Authority have car parks, however, we do manage a car park located at Elland Road, postcode LS11 0ES (please see [Elland Road Park and Ride - PR1 | Metro](#)), which is accessible during match days. There are public general waste litter bins throughout this car park, however, these are not recycling bins.

*** Park & Ride sites you manage:**

-We do not manage park and ride sites.

*** other publicly accessible sites you manage (where relevant)**

-The only other site is Elland Road which is detailed above.

If you believe that your request for information has not been handled properly, you can ask for an internal review of our decision. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.gov.uk

For your information, there is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely,

Information Governance Officer

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