

**National Assembly for Wales
Environment and Sustainability Committee
RW 15
Inquiry into recycling in Wales
Response from: Richard James**

The Committee Clerk,
Environment Sustainability Committee
National Assembly for Wales.



Dear Sir,

I am writing to you as a consequence of having read an article in 'The Gem' in which it was stated that you are giving serious consideration to making a statutory change in the way in which local authorities are obliged to collect material for recycling. The present co-mingling along with a separate food waste box and a two weekly black bag collection works very well and is seen as a sensible solution to this problem. It is essential to find the most simple solution which is effective in its ultimate aim-to increase the amount of household waste which is recycled- .and the present method seems to fit these criteria admirably. It has been reported in various articles in the national press that making the system too complicated in fact leads to diminished quantities of recycled material. In the case of our local community 'don't fix it if it's not broken' seems the most sound philosophy to follow.

Yours sincerely,



Richard James

