

Proposed Junk Collection 2019

REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH WEST & NORTH CENTRAL AREA COMMITTEES

Allocated Discretionary Spend

North West Area	€216,000
North Central Area	€216,000

Public Domain Teams from North West Area and North Central Area have met with Waste Management with regard to the Proposed Junk Collection.

According to Waste Management If the Junk Collection is to be re-introduced it must be carried out by direct labour, as this was a core duty for Waste Management Staff prior to it being abolished. Therefore, this work would have to be carried out on an overtime basis over weekend periods. This will affect the value for money element to the proposal.

Waste Management have given approximate cost and no. of Households they will be able to cover within the allocated funding above.

No. of Households North Central Area (cso 2016)	60,117
No. of Households North West Area (cso 2016)	48,355
<u>Total Households</u>	<u>108,473</u>

Working over 44 weekends for 2019 it is possible that the allocation of funding as above will cover maximum 17,000 households between the two areas.

This would give a percentage of households serviced between the two areas at:

North Central:	14.14%
North West:	17.58%

This figure indicates that over 80% of households will not be serviced in 2019 by the proposed collection.

Alternatives for 2019

Public Domain Teams discussed alternatives for both the long term and projects that could be carried out within 2019.

Option 1.

Locally arranged collections in conjunction with well-established residents' groups. This would entail arranging skips/grab truck within estates and allowing residents to dispose of household junk in this manner. In order for this to operate smoothly we would need residents' groups heavily involved.

Cost per collection: (Dependent of size of estate) €600 to €2000

Option 2.

Amnesty Day within our Depots for the collection of Household Junk. This would be arranged with Waste Management and Public Domain Teams.

Option 3.

Large scale clean ups of roads/areas as per the large scale multi departmental clean ups that took place in 2018 i.e. R139, River Road and Ratoath Road.

The above options are the most practicable for 2019 and can all be applied throughout the year.

We discussed numerous other options: reduction in the cost of the current offer of the bulky waste collection from €40 to €20 or an increase in the number of items from 5 to 10, however this would have to be a citywide initiative and given that South Central Area have confirmed that they are not planning to use this money for waste management initiatives this would not be a viable option.

We also discussed the idea of engaging with Re-Discovery Centre to explore the idea of having ongoing recycling days in the area, operated and managed by them. This would take some time to negotiate and manage and would not be practical to offer it for 2019.

Public Domain Teams North West and North Central