
Amendment to the Dublin City Council Waste (Separation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye laws 2018

The Dublin City Council Waste (Separation, Storage and Presentation of household and Commercial Waste) Bye Laws 2018 were adopted by the City Council in January 2019.

The use of plastic bags for the storage and presentation of waste causes significant issues in respect of the creation of litter through the failure of such bags through mishandling or interference from vermin and animals. The appearance of waste bags presented for collection also detracts from the streetscape and visual amenity of the city generally.

It is proposed to amend the Bye Laws to allow Dublin City Council to trial, introduce and regulate the use of alternative containers for the on street storage and presentation of waste in order to address the issues created by the use of plastic bags for the presentation of waste in the city.

It is proposed to include the text below in the current Bye Laws in order to facilitate the above.

The proposed amendment provides for the following sub section be inserted into the existing bye law **2.4 Use of Waste Containers on Collection Day** after sub section (B):

(c) In specified areas within the functional area of Dublin City Council, Dublin City Council may designate that only waste containers suitable for re-use may be used for the presentation of household and/or commercial waste for collection.

Waste containers suitable for reuse include appropriate waste containers and any such other waste containers that may be designated by Dublin City Council from time to time as suitable for reuse.

A schedule of specified areas where there presentation of household and/or commercial waste may only be presented in waste containers suitable for reuse will be maintained by Dublin City Council.

A schedule of waste containers designated as suitable for reuse will also be maintained by Dublin City Council.

Approval was granted by the City Council in March 2020 to put the proposed amendment out to public consultation. The public consultation period ended after a 2-month period on 10th July 2020.

The full text of the Bye Laws as amended following the assessment of the submissions received is attached to this report.

The Climate Action, Environment & Energy Strategic Policy Committee considered the revised Bye-Laws which took account of submissions received via the Public Consultation process at the meeting held on 26th October 2020 and it was agreed that Bye-Laws are submitted to the full City Council for adoption

I therefore recommend that that the Amended Dublin City Council Waste (Separation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste) Bye Laws 2018 are adopted.

Councillor Michael Pidgeon
Chairperson, Climate Action, Energy &
Environment Strategic Policy Committee

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