Re-opening of Household Recycling Centres

Cambridgeshire County Council is working with its partner Amey to put plans in place to re-open the County's Household Recycling Centres from Monday 11 May.

It is the Council's intention to open all nine of its sites.

The plans will make sure that visits to the HRC are safe for residents as well as for employees - with measures in place to ensure social distancing on site. The plans have been prepared jointly with Public Health England.

Each of the nine HRCs in the county also has a detailed traffic management plan, drawn up in partnership with Skanska and in consultation with Cambridgeshire Constabulary, to limit the impact on roads around each site.

Local Government secretary Robert Jenrick 's statements over the weekend gave councils in England and Wales the green light to plan site openings as part of a gradual easing government lockdown measures.

Further details will be provided later in the week about what each Cambridgeshire site will receive, however some of the key conditions of opening will include:

- A limit to vehicle numbers on site in the same way as limits on customers in supermarkets
- No more than two adults to be allowed to unload any one vehicle
- No staff assistance to unload vehicles
- No vans or trailers that require a permit

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It is advised that journeys to the Household Recycling Centres should only be undertaken if waste or recycling cannot be stored at home without causing risk of injury to health or harm.

People who must continue to stay away from these sites are those who are or have anyone in their household, suffering from Covid-19 symptoms, or have been diagnosed as having the virus.