From: James Rodgers
Sent: 19 July 2017 16:45
To: Debjani Ghosh <Debjani.Ghosh@communities.gsi.gov.uk>; Alex Powell
Alex.Powell@communities.gsi.gov.uk
Subject: Rotherham Borough Council - Objection to Return of Powers

Dear Sir/Madam,

As a resident of the Borough of Rotherham I wish to register my formal objection to the decision making powers for "Waste Management" to be returned to the Council. This service is in a terrible state and has declined significantly in the last year. My reasons for objection are as follows:

1. Commissioner Ney failed to include in her letter to you that Commissioner Myers granted for our "recycling" service to be retendered without complying with the Europeanwide legislation on what must be collected separately. Rotherham is only one of three authorities in mainland Great Britain not to collect plastic for recycling separate from residual waste (the other two have plans in place). Rotherham has no plans to ever collect plastic for recycling.

2. The recycling service has declined this year as "textiles" are no longer collected. I only found out when my textiles were rejected twice. This was confirmed by an advert in the local newspaper listing what we could recycle (and there was no mention of textiles).

3. In the last year alone the number of missed collections in Maltby has actually increased significantly. These do not relate to isolated houses but vast areas of the township. There have been numerous separate occasions in Maltby when residual waste bins, garden waste bins, or recycling containers were not emptied on the correct day and were emptied the following day without prior notice.

4. Our garden waste service was cut around the time the Commissioners arrived to half the year and so autumn leaves and spring prunings have to be put in our residual waste.

I think from the above you can see that the waste service in Rotherham is no better, and in fact worse that it was when the Commissioners arrived. It would look very bad if it is returned in this state, particularly when the Council is still breaking the law by not collecting plastic for recycling.

Yours faithfully,

James Rodgers